

BELROSE RUGBY LEAGUE

2022 ANNUAL REPORT



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ACHIEVEMENTS

400 game players

Luke Alder

300 game players

Craig Badger, Keiran Dempsey, Shane Parsons, Jason Fava, Phil Blinkhorne, Robert Fava, Dorian Smith, Luke Alder, Lachlan McLeod, Brandon Scott, Andrew Needham, Andrew Rickard, Ben Pickering

200 game players

Eric Waterworth, Kevin Pryor, Phil Alder, Steve Batty, Phil Johnson, Warwick Badger, Steve Bowtell, Paul Carlson, David Robertson, Brett Daley, Steve Borger, Anthony Lind, Geoff Toovey, Daryn Trowbridge, Andrew Williams, Tim Galloway, Jamie Wildash, Scott Wildash, Shane Wildash, Paul Clyne, Steve Harrod, Paul Whitfield, Craig Bowtell, Scott Doyle, Grant Jones, Mark Fava, Chad Eady, Heath Dennis, Dean Griffith, Darren Michael, Jason Siladi, Brad Verrills, Chris Corbett, Ben Baxter, Darren Daley, Scott Murphy, Jason Whitfield, Scott Sinclair, Matt Baxter, Adam Parkinson, Warrick Smith, Matt Alder, Ryan Carter, James Cable, Chris Brooks, Marcus Middleton, Chris Needham, Liam Alder, Ben Pickering, Scott Cable, Tom Needham, Nathan Garnham, Richie Plummer, Luke Grant, Dylan Eldershaw, Paul Garnham, Tom Betts, Luke Betts, Jack Cosh, Charles Buttrose, Lachlan Brown, Ben Georgas, Christian Bate, Michael Higgins, Jack Wilson, Beau Abrahams, Charlie Griffith, Ryan Mawhinney

Association Awards

Club Champions – Col Mills Memorial trophy est 1979

1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 2003

Senior Grade Champions - L&V Engineering Trophy est 1972

1980, 1982, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1993, 1994

Best Club – Pop Hall Memorial Trophy

1986, 1992, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2016, 2019



ACHIEVEMENTS

NSWRL Sydney Shield	2013
A Grade	1967, 1988, 1989, 1993, 2002, 2003, 2009, 2019
A Grade North Sydney	2003, 2013
A Reserve Grade	1966, 1992, 1994, 1996, 2013
Under 21	1961, 1980, 1991, 1992, 1994, 1995
Under 19	1982, 1990, 1993
Under 17	1979, 1981, 1987, 1989
Under 16	1969, 1980, 1987, 2000, 2011
Under 15	1970, 1977, 1978, 1982, 1984, 1986, 2013, 2017
Under 14	1969, 1977, 1983, 1993
Under 13	1975, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1992, 2003
Under 12	1977, 1979, 1981, 1983, 1984, 1990, 1991, 1995, 2003, 2017
Under 11	1976, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1990, 1995, 2020
Under 10	1972, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1982, 1989, 2003, 2018
Under 9	1978, 1980, 1981, 1986, 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 2001, 2019
Under 8	1977, 1979, 1980, 1984, 1987, 1990
Under 7	1978, 1983, 1984, 1989, 1992, 2010

* Denotes Minor Premiers in the current year



HONOUR ROLL

MILESTONES – 2022

150 Games

Max Gander (A Grade)
Jake Morrison (A Grade)

100 Games

Aaron Fogarty (AGrade)
Angus Milne (U14)
Alex Milne (U12)
Kyan Chalk (U12)

50 Games

Hayden L'Estrange (A Grade)
Daniel Crookwell (U14)
Ben Keller (U14)
Beau Hiscoke (U14)
Koen Needs (U9)
Lachlan Andrews (U9)



PERPETUAL AND PERSONAL AWARDS

Presidents Trophy	- Luke Betts
Scott Wildash Trophy	- Jake Morrison
Barry Bowtell Junior Grade Coach of the year	- Richie Plummer
Lindsay Spencer Senior Player Award	- Andy Layton
Barry Johnson Award	- Jake Layton
Volunteer of the Year (Club)	- Frances Armatas



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CAN'T WAIT TO HAVE YOU BACK IN 2023!**



CLUB PRESIDENT & SECRETARY'S REPORT

It was great to see an almost full season take place this year, despite a few washouts in the first couple of weeks which made everyone a bit nervous. We got there in the end and the players ended up having a ball and the club a successful year with the U10 Gold, 13 Silver 16BT & A Grade all making it to their respective Grand Finals.

Building from the strong foundations of the previous year, we were up in registrations & participation rates once again, reaching numbers that have not been seen for many years. As a club we were delighted to see our female contingent return throughout the younger age groups.

Each year we rely on parents to assist with various jobs, that need to be completed for a smooth running of the club and this year was no exception where they got in and helped where needed. This group of people bring so much to this establishment including skills, advice, experience, friendship, vision, leadership & inspiration. But aside from all of this, in our time poor world the greatest contribution is their time.... Which is nothing short of utterly amazing, thank you. Without their help we couldn't have raised the \$30K for various charities this year and we would like to thank all those that were involved.

With the extension of the club house completed, the building was re-named this to the "Eric Galloway Clubhouse". Eric has contributed so much to the club, members and league community over the years so it's nice to recognise him in the local community with having the club named after him. Thank you Eric!

Our Touch Football season has begun with an increase of approx 100 kids playing this year. This comp can't go ahead without Briohney Anderson, she is the backbone of it all, with her efforts, time, hard work and dedication she puts into the comp, thank you for pulling this together for the community to kids to play, I know they love getting out there and having a run around with their mates. It's also a great introduction for kids who are thinking about league for the coming season.

We are looking forward to the 2023 season and what it has in store for us, it will be here before we know it!

Deb Kennedy & Kristy Andrews



The final table position (Prior to Finals) for all our teams in the 2022 season was as follows

A Grade (Gold)	1 st
U16 Blues Tag	8 th
U15 (Silver)	3 rd
U14 Blues Tag	7 th
U14 (Silver)	2 nd
U13 (Silver)	1 st
U12 (Silver)	10 th
U10 (Maroon)	4 th
U9 (Whites 1)	3 rd
U9 (Whites 2)	8 th
U8 Grade	Non-competitive
U7 Grade	Non-competitive
U6 Grade	Non-competitive



Thank You

The Canteen Committee would like to thank everyone for assisting in the Canteen duties during the 2022 Season.



Your support is greatly appreciated and we couldn't do it without you. We need you more than ever for next year!

Wishing everyone a great Summer and we look forward to seeing you all again in 2023.



A GRADE TEAM REPORT



We started off the season with 3 players at training, unsure if Sydney shield would go ahead and not quite certain what we would be in for. Slowly starting to drag more and more players to training we find out that unfortunately Sydney shield would be folding and there would only be one senior side this year.

With a mixture of current, ex and new players, we quickly formed a strong bond amongst the team and things were looking bright. We had a slow start to the season losing to North Ryde on our Anzac Day celebration. We versed Narrabeen the week after and ended up with a draw showing signs of what we all knew we were capable of. We then went on undefeated for the next several rounds and secured the minor Gold premiership.

We progressed to the final's series beating a stacked Leichhardt Juniors and into the Grand Final. Unfortunately, the boys didn't get the result they deserved but they should all be proud of themselves for the season that was.

We could not have been in the same position if we didn't have the help that we got through the year. I'd like to thank Scotty Collins, Paul Gosling and Mark Soden for their tireless work at training and on gameday. You had a big impact on our culture and how we developed as a team. To Deb Kennedy being our manager, it would not be an easy job and I don't know how you manage to organise us as a group but you do an amazing job. To Sean Wilson and Mark Abrahams for strapping and to Jimmy Cable for being our blue shirt and good luck charm and also everyone that supported us this year.



The progress we have made, not only on the field but off the field, with the boys attending junior trainings and games, doing the club raffles, tidying up training equipment, the boys should be proud of what they have achieved this year. You've helped bring the spark back to Belrose.

Can't wait for 2023!

Isaac Acheampong - centre/wing- handy winger who also filled in the centres, has great skill, and try scoring ability.

Will Bassett - wing/fullback-old Belrose boy who came home this year. The bloke plays with so much heart and skill, great asset to the team.

Tom Betts - back row-a bloke that you know what you will get out of him every week, played every game this year and never let anyone down. Never in my life thought I'd see him score a double but runs a great line and had a great combination with his half.

Tom Collins -halfback- had a great year at half setting up many tries down the left edge, outstanding passing game, great to see him enjoying his footy.

Luke Duce - wing- new player to the team this year, always striving to learn and was improving every week, loved having him in the team.

Connor (grub) Flack -lock/utility- new to the team this year, showed early signs of having great skill and education of the game. Consistent player who always did his job well.

Aaron Fogarty -centre- Fogs has grown so much this year as a leader. Played every game at 110%, caused a lot of damage to other teams. Outstanding season.

Kyle Fogarty -centre/wing- had an outstanding start to the year but had a season ending injury which hurt the team, hopefully see him back in 2023.

Max Gander -wing- blistering speed out wide and finished off many set plays with tries, I couldn't see anybody outrunning him over 400m, great asset to the team.

Charlie Griffith - prop- runs with no fear and gets through a mountain of work every game. Great season mate.

Judd Halon -five eight- moved from hooker to half this year and slotted in nicely, forming good combinations with his right edge setting up many tries and a great kicking game.

Siale Kolo - centre- new to team from New Zealand, great skill, and great footwork with damaging runs, can't wait to see more of him next year

Andy Layton -hooker/lock- controlled our play through the middle and organising our forwards, lead from the front every game and always kicking us out of trouble, big part of our success this year.



Jake Layton -hooker/utility- has a great understanding of what it takes to win footy games, great impact off the bench, always wanted the best for the team.

Hayden L' Estrange -prop-ex player that returned to the club this year, bloke plays with so much energy and brings a great impact to the team, has great chat on the field. The boys loved having him back this year.

Daniel Martin(c) -back row/lock- played left edge for most of the season and caused a lot of trouble for other teams, gets through a tonne of work every game and always leads from the front.

Ryan Mawhinney -centre- returned from injury and was playing some outstanding footy. We lost him to a shoulder dislocation mid-season, was great to see him back on the field.

Ryan McGuane -Wood -five eighth/centre- started off in five eight but had a bad ankle injury for most of the season, returned late in the year and moved to centre. Tackled everything that moved and set up tries with his five eight abilities.

Declan Montgomery -backrow-tackling machine runs a great line and always does his job and never let anyone down. Great player to have in the team

Jake Morrison -prop/lock/half/winger- the best middle in the comp, a half in a props body, bloke gets through a tonne of work every game, set up our backs with great runs and fast play the balls, an unreplaceable player.

Mackenzie Northcote -prop- absolute workhorse, takes all the tough carries and defends his backside off in the middle, great asset to the team

Callum O'Brien -prop- damaging runs through the middle and showed great ball playing skills, loved having him in the team and hope to see him back in 2023.

Jackson Pearce -prop- new player to the team this year, one of the nicest blokes you will ever meet, took tough carries and great effort in defence, a great will to learn.

Nathan Rowley Bates -winger -hit the beginning of the season in hot form, was as safes as houses under the high ball and finishing great tries. Unfortunately succumbed to an elbow injury but we all witnessed Rowdy do great things this year.

Ken Szeremeta -back row- the Japanese thoroughbred, had a great combination with his half scoring plenty of tries down the left side, needs new hamstrings for next year please.

Cam Wall -centre- another player back from injury, played centre and played awesome, strengthened up our edge defensive with his great tackling skills

Jack Wilson -fullback- safe as houses under the high ball, guided the defensive line around so well from the back, highest point scorer in the competition, missed the grand final with a bad leg injury, great season mate.



Kai Wilson - utility- great energy off the bench, great tackling technique, great at chopping down much bigger blokes.



UNDER 16 BLUES TAG TEAM REPORT



WOW what rollercoaster of a year, with all the rain we've had this it was fantastic to play so many games. This season was a real tough one for all the girls playing a total of 12 games with 2 draws, 8 losses and 2 wins although we didn't get our 2 wins until the finals, I am so proud to coach and watch these girls every week put in 110%. They always kept their heads held high and played every minute of every game, now our 2 wins our 1st one was given to us with a forfeit in the first week of finals, yea I know how good that is. Now our 2nd win in the finals was a do or die this was the game to put us into the grand final and wow did everyone show up to play this game right from the beginning of our warm up all the way through the game till the ref blew his whistle all the girls didn't show any signs of slowing down, all our hard work throughout the year is starting to show we were playing real footy this day and it was so spectacular to sit back and watch us score all our tries and have the opposition only score one, we won this game 24-4, now we move into the grand final. Who have thought we would be here, we all knew this wasn't going to be an easy game right from the start everyone had the mindset know this was going to be our last game and not to leave anything out there on the field and that was all I had asked of them this day and boy they did that, unfortunately we lost 28-0 but in my books it was a win cause we made it to the gf and the girls gave it 110%



So that was our season it was tough but we all never gave up I am so proud to be able to coach these girls and watch how far they have come, thank you to all the girls for almost making me pull my hair out at trainings but most importantly thank you for always believing in yourselves and never giving up, you all should be proud of yourselves for all the effort you have put in.

A huge thank you to my team staff this year Bec and Kai, firstly Bec thank you for all your hard work week in and week out for making sure everyone knows where we are playing every week and getting out all the team messages. And to my not so little bro Kai thank you very much for putting your hand up to complete the blue shirt course and be our trainer every week. Bec and Kai the team wouldn't function without you 2.

To all the parents you all are the real heroes for always making sure the girls are at training every week, getting them to our games and volunteering to help us at the clubhouse when it was needed

It was an absolute pleasure to coach these girls this season, you all made me so proud and there was never a dull moment with you all, thank you so much

Jack Wilson

Coach U16's blues tag

Awards

Best and fairest – Tyla Julius

coaches award – Hannah Treagent

Best defender – Ella Capindale

best attacker – Holly Dorsey



UNDER 15 TEAM REPORT



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UNDER 14 BLUES TAG TEAM REPORT



U14s Blues Tag Coaches Report

To have a U14s Blues Tag Competition solely for the MWJRL is a testament to the talent of players and dedication of volunteers on the Northern Beaches.

Thank you to the girls who represented our club with pride, demonstrated sportsmanship, learnt with intent and played with determination. I couldn't have been prouder of your growth on, but most importantly, off the field.

Many thanks to Sallie Molyneux and Jo Stracey for your continued desire to strive hard to improve and develop our players week in week out.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the senior players, club, and board of the Belrose Eagles for their unwavering support and commitment to the girls this season.

2022 was another year of growth and I look forward to building on this further in 2023.



UNDER 14 TEAM REPORT



What a great year we had in the Under 14's!

This season we welcomed 6 new players that strengthened positions right across the field. The standout in the forwards was Curtis who lead with strong tackles and determined attacks, and in the backs was Ben H who showed incredible pace running the ball and was solid in defence.

A few more players joined during the season and as the year progressed, we quickly worked out their best positions within the team.

We didn't have the biggest squad, so the highlight was earlier in the season when we worked out a style of football that suited our team. Injuries and COVID hit during the middle and those that were able to play were valiant in maintaining a top 2 position on the ladder as we neared finals football.

We showed a lot of character in those tough times. Players were asked to play out of position, some played full games without rest and doing lots of tackles, while many opposition teams turned up full strength. We tried our best and some days we won and some we lost but we stuck together as a team.

In that same period, we appointed Josh as the new captain, and he did an amazing job leading the team through those challenges & Finals.

Our first finals game against Avalon was a real wake-up call. We returned a week later almost at full strength only to go down in the final minutes against Curl Curl but you did yourselves, your families, coaches and the Belrose club proud by playing some great football and proving to us all how much you improved over the year. Losing to the eventual winners shows just how good you are.



Special mentions this year to Jono who scored 8 tries even though he was out for 6 weeks, and Ben Keller who took over goal kicking duties (thanks also to Jack Wilson from Belrose A Grade for his kicking advice and help to Ben). Ben was also top point scorer for the team with 12 goals and 5 tries.

A Big Congratulations to all the boys on great year, with special mentions to our award winners

Best Forward: Judah Haes

Best Back: Jackson Murray

Players Player: Jonathon Armatas & Josh Cowling

Coaches Award: Best & Fairest (Most Outstanding!): Josh Cowling

Milestones:

50 Games: Daniel Crookwell, Ben Keller & Beau Hiscoke

100 games: Angus Milne

It's the off season now so hit the gym and eat to grow, come back bigger and stronger and we'll show Curl Curl and Avalon what we're really capable of!



UNDER 13 TEAM REPORT



2022 was a very successful year for the under Belrose Under 13s Rugby League team. Although being defeated in the Grand Final was disappointing, we were minor premiers in the Silver Division which was a great achievement for the boys.

The greatest achievements for the team this year was their defensive effort and the more patient mature attitude that they developed.

The team built all of their wins on the back of excellent defensive efforts. This was even more impressive when considering the fact that Belrose was literally the smallest team, in terms of physical player size, in the competition. In every game, the opposition outweighed us, sometimes significantly, and the boys were fearless in tackling much bigger players running at them.

In many games we got behind on the scoreboard and the boys displayed great maturity in being able to continue to play positively and work to come back and win the game. This was really pleasing, as in prior seasons we hadn't managed to remain so calm in these situations.

The other aspect of 2022 that was very pleasing was that we actually started playing as a "team" with individual players realising that they each have separate jobs to perform. This included the fact that we started to execute a number of different set plays during the year.



Under 13s Players for the 2022 season were:

Anderson, Ollie	2022 was a really good year for Ollie. He has always been a fierce competitor who punches well above his weight. However, in addition this year, Ollie also demonstrated his football brain and became key to a number of plays that we started to implement this year. It was great to see Ollie developing as a team player rather than just a strong individual performer. Ollie scored 4 Ties.
Asprey, Archie	Archie was back to his best as captain this year. His vocal direction on the field was a key element to the more settled approach for the entire team. Feedback from his teammates is that having Archie with them was confidence building when they needed it most. Archie Scored 2 Tries.
Baker, Joseph	2022 was Joseph's first year with Belrose and what an impressive debut! Joseph quickly earned the position of full back and was strong all season. His positional play at the back was awesome but in addition he contributed with hit ups as if he was a forward. Joseph scored 2 Tries.
Baker, Russell	Russell is actually the most capped of our entire squad with 125 games. He had a big growth spurt since 2021 and, when he was on, he put his size to use with some good defence and some big hit-ups. We hope to see more of this in 2023.
Baxter, Dylan	It was great to have Dylan in 2022 because we appreciate that his school commitments often conflicted. Dylan combines his size and speed for some powerful running of the ball. He has a high work rate and always gives 100%, making him a valued member of the team. Dylan Scored 3 Tries
Crapis, Leonardo	Leo has a great year in 2022. As he has for the past couple of seasons Leo proved that he also can punch well above his weight. Particularly in defence, Leo showed no sign of self-preservation as he threw himself in to tackles against larger opponents. This earned him a regular starting position in the forward pack. Leo Scored 1 Try
Drysdale, John	John really stood up for the team in defence this year. John has committed to being a strong tackler and showed that with his willingness to take on the biggest kids in opposing teams and often managing to drop them. John is also a straight hard runner with a good step. He also made use of his elusive running in our scoot sets. John is the kind of person you want on your team because he never stops trying.



Featherstone, Logan	Logan was also new to the squad this year and what a difference he made to the team. Logan is a super strong allrounder. He has good hands and runs great lines in attack, but equally he is one of the top defenders in the team. His work out of marker made it tough for opposition teams all year. Logan is another player that the team value for his outstanding work rate. Logan Scored 4 Tries
Gunn, Jayden	2022 was easily Jayden's best so far. With a larger role at 5/8, he was our primary first receiver and we really saw his organising skills come to the fore being involved in our set plays. Jayden also grew in confidence with his defence this year, not to mention the valuable contribution he made with his kicking. Jayden was the second highest Point Scorer in the Team.
Harland, Billy	2022 turned out to be a solid year for Billy. He made a real comeback to form and in the later part of the season, when he got involved in our 5th tackle kicking he really started to hit straps. This included getting back to some really effective defence. Billy Scored 5 Tries
Harris, Thomas	Thomas joined us late in 2022 on the wing and so only played a few games in the regular season for us. Tom brought good pace and good positional awareness that we were needing on the wing. We'll look forward to him getting a full season and developing further next year.
Hyde, Liam	2022 was undoubtedly Liam's best season with Belrose. Despite having last year off, he came back bigger and better than ever. Liam has developed his general rugby league awareness a lot and towards the end of the season we saw this, particularly in his defence.
Ignacio, Christian	Christian is a natural rugby league player, being a strong defender who can be relied upon to hold his spot in the line. Despite sometime out due to injury it was great to have Christian more consistently training with the team and it showed in his performance. He is a great runner of the ball and we look forward to seeing what he can do next year.
Mauro, Jamie	Jamie was clearly one of our best in 2021. He is fearless and goes out with the intent to dominate the opposition. He has pace, runs strongly and fights furiously in tackles. But probably more importantly, he never quits. There were a number of games where it felt like Jamie put the team on his back and said, come with me, we're going to win this. Jamie was the highest point scorer for the season. Jamie Scored 33 Tries



McEwan, Lachlan	Lachie was also new to our team in 2022 and again made a very positive impression in the games that played after joining later in the season. The thing that we noticed immediately his that he has really good hands and is a great runner of the ball. He's also solid in defece. We're really looking forward to integrating Lachie into set plays next year.
Moore, Dylan	It was great to see Dylan back this year, somewhat unexpectedly after a pretty severe ankle injury last year. Dylan is an outstanding young man and a consistent allrounder with a high work rate. He earnt himself a regular starting position because he's a very reliable defender who shows no fear in taking on any opponent.
Richardson, Lucas	Lucas had a solid year in 2022. Playing primarily on the wing, Lucas is an excellent team player with an outstanding attitude. He brings a constant source of positivity to the team. Lucas also has great awareness on the field and helps organise the players around him.
Valentine, Maxx	Maxx continues to develop his game and rugby league awareness. He's a good runner of the ball and a tough tackler. At his best Maxx is leading the way, hitting the ball up. He also played an important part of the team's defence wherever he was in the line. Looking forward to more next year.
Wood, Hamish	Hamish also joined the team this year and added his experience to the squad. Hamish is another solid allrounder. When he's on, Hamish is a solid tackler and also has a good football brain. Hamish Scored 1 Try

In addition, a big thank you to Pete Asprey and Joel Gunn for coaching with me, plus Matt Mauro and Matt Anderson for assisting throughout the year. Also thanks to Andrew Baker for acting as Manager for the team in 2022.

- 1, Best Forward - Jamie Mauro
- 2, Best Back - Joseph Baker
- 3, Best & Fairest - Archie Asprey
- 4, Coaches Award - Ollie Anderson
- 5, Most Valuable Player (MVP) - Logan Featherstone



UNDER 12 TEAM REPORT



This season was probably one of the tougher ones we have had since most of the kids started back in the U6's. We gained some new players this year and lost a few as well but headed into the season with 17 players. A bigger field with 13 players on the field gave us a taste of 'Real' footy and probably something we struggled with at times this year.

This year also saw us recruit a new member of the coaching staff with club legend Jimmy Curtis coming on board. Jimmy's experience in rugby league is an incredible asset that we were very lucky to have on a weekly basis.

I've always said that I don't really care about scoreboard results, but rather the continued development of the kids both as footballers and as people. But there is no doubt that the lack of results really made it a difficult year for everyone. Their confidence kept taking hit after hit and we really struggled to get out of our own way at times. But there was no quit in them. They kept trying week after week which is all of us, as coaches, can ever ask for.

Some of the highlights this year were watching the new players really start to put together some good training sessions and then putting what they have learned into their on field performances. Special mention also to Alex Milne who scored his first try in a very long time, as well as Cooper Cameron who has desperately tried to get a try for the last 4 years straight without success, but managed 2 this year. Also to Albert Brookes on scoring his first ever try in Rugby League. Hunter Sasikin is tireless in his goal kicking practice and it showed with him only missing 1 goal from 13 attempts all year.

Another highlight was some of the athleticism shown by some of the kids. One try in particular that left all of us on the coaching staff speechless was Oscar Needham's effort against Avalon at Lake Park. With some ridiculous footwork, a burst of speed, a little grubber and the ability to regain possession while in mid air as he dived for the try line was something I've never seen a 12yr old kid do. We even looked to his father to ask "Where did that come from" to which he had no reply!



Id also like to give special mention to Jemma Ballesty, who for the last 5 or 6 years has played in a team full of boys and against boys every week. Now that we move into the U13's, Jemma is no longer allowed to play with the team she grew up playing with, which in my opinion isn't fair but it is for her own protection. Hopefully Jemma can find a place in a girls teams where she can continue to develop her skills and lets hope we see her smash it...shes going to be a handful for anyone in the girls ranks moving forward. She is a tough kid and continues to pioneer a way for girls her age to play tackle footy. We have loved having her in the team and she will be missed.

These kids have the ability to compete at the level we were put into (Silver Grade). What lets us down are some very simple things in Rugby League. Getting everyone to training on a regular basis was really a struggle and it also makes it very difficult to continue an upward trajectory with their skill level so we can keep up with the better teams in the competition. It also hinders our ability to train together and form combinations. I mentioned to all the kids that Rugby League requires a large physical commitment to their task on the field. Something we struggled to also adapt into our play.

At the time of writing this, I don't think I will coach moving forward. But I will say that now the kids are moving into the teenage years where everyone begins to grow stronger and faster and things get more physical on the field, there needs to be a large consideration by all if Rugby League is for them. I am certainly not trying to discourage anyone from playing a game I have played since I was 5 and has given me so much. But if your boys want to continue to play this great game, if they are not 100% committed to do what they need to do physically, then we are getting to the age where there is a risk of some nasty injuries that can be suffered. This is something I've been very honest with the kids about for a while now. This is the greatest game of all, and I hope that they all continue to play, but there definitely needs to be some consideration around physical commitment. If you do continue, it's imperative that you get to training as much as possible so the coach can improve on your skills. The best players in the world continue to hone their skills on a daily basis and some of these skills NEED to be put into practice at training.

Id like to thank the parents for your trust and continued support through the season. I would also like to thank Deb for her continued commitment to ensure everything goes smoothly all year. She already has an enormous amount on her plate being the President and manager for A Grade, but her commitment to this team never wavers. Thanks to David Chalk and Jimmy Curtis for your support this year with your help at training and games. Also, to my wife for putting up with me after games!!

While I have enjoyed the coaching these last few years, I fear that I may ask too much of the kids in way of physical commitment which not everyone has responded to. The only way I know how to play and coach footy is as hard as you possibly can for as long as you possibly can with little to no respect for your body. In short, I feel I'm too intense for this playing group and they may be better coached by someone else. I wish all the kids and families all the very best in your future sporting endeavours and hope that Rugby League stays in your life in some way.

Player Profiles

Albert Brookes – Games – 10 Tries – 1



One of our new recruits this year. A quiet kid who has a natural tackling ability and with further development could be someone who you would fear running at. With footy in hand, he has some very nice late footwork, when he runs hard at the line with this late footwork, he's hard to handle. Some very good early signs Albert, congratulations on your first year.

Alex Milne – Games – 11 – Tries – 1

I was so pleased when "Champa" got over the line late in the year. A reward for many years toiling away with no luck getting over the stripe. Once again showed when he applies himself, can have a real impact in defence and attack...well done Al!!

Cooper Cameron – Games – 14 – Tries – 2

It may sound biased but probably our most improved player this year. Has found his position at hooker and really took to his role. His service was great and has an ability to run and make plenty of yards right when we needed it. Somehow managed to draw an enormous number of penalties when he runs and is starting to really be a force when he applies his proper tackle technique. Probably carries on the most with celebrating tries but guys like that are infectious to the playing group for morale...Very proud of your improvement and the toughness you showed both as a Coach and Dad!

Jack Douglas – Games – 8 – Tries – 1

Jack was a recruit from a local cricket team and proved a valuable asset. An awkward style runner who is as game as they come in defence, saved his best game against his former team in Willoughby. Another quiet kid who goes about his job with great efficiency. Looks like the perfect 5/8th for this team.

Cooper Gunn – Games – 10

Goop is a kid you love to play with but hate to play against. One of the smaller players on the team but wants to mix it with the biggest kids on the field. Goop has some wonderful vision and knows where the footy needs to get to but needs to sharpen up his passing skills and he will be a significant danger in attack. He's got plenty of heart and takes everything personally. If he was 30kg heavier, he'd be the best player in the comp!

Harry Lonegran – Games – 8

Harry was a touch footy recruit and came to us with speed to burn. His confidence took a hit mid-season but his last game he really met that challenge head on and turned in a brave game. Keep working hard Harry, and don't be afraid to take them on and I'm sure you can be someone to watch in future.

Hunter Sasikin – Games 10 – Goals – 12

Funny kid...But boy can he play. Hunter is usually the kid making that last ditch tackle, or the one around the legs after a big hit. A dynamite footy player with a thirst to get better at every aspect. He's hard to tackle and won't take a backward step from anyone. Every week he was in the discussion for the best player on the field and does all the dirty work that only the coaches notice. Guys like Hunter are valuable to every successful team, he's a coaching staff favourite, another huge year from Hunter!

Isaac Kretchmer – Games – 10



“Bull” embraced his role as a team leader this year. Every tackle, every hit up he gives 100%. He’s very hard on himself when things don’t go to plan and is just loved by all of his teammates and coaches a like. One of the kids who says nothing, listens intently and tries his guts out every session and every game. A future team captain in the making.

Jemma Ballesty – Games – 9

As mentioned, this was Jemma’s last year with us, and once again showed her value to the team and her toughness to mix it with the boys. Suffered a pretty bad knock at training ripping into the boys but didn’t let it stop her. I’ve said it before, it can’t be easy being the only girl in a team full of boys, but she never complains. She’s a brilliant defender who can also be a devastating ball runner when she realises how good she is. All the best Jem, unleash that “Ballesty” crazy... we will miss you very much!

Kobe Avakian – Games – 11

“Kobs” is another quite kid with talent and speed to burn but didn’t get many opportunities to show it this year. But when he did, he was great. Confidence is a big thing with Kobs and once he realises his potential and his ability, you won’t be able to stop him.

Kyan Chalk – Games – 10 – Tries – 2

“Pockets” is the perfect half back...cheeky, quick (especially between the ears) and has some silky skills. His speed off the line in attack is so important to us that he ended up being the permanent 7 when we started to click towards the end of the year. His line speed and willingness to get up in the face of the big boys is a bravery that few can understand.

Oscar Needham – Games – 9 – Tries – 9

This kid is impressive! Blessed with speed, balance and agility but probably his most impressive trait is his dogged desire to just compete for everything. Even his teammates would throw him the ball, then stand back and watch him in full flight (Jesus id love them to follow him once or twice though!!). He’s fantastic to have as part of this team and is a talent. Better yet, he’s a great kid and shows his teammates that when you apply yourself you can achieve some awesome things.

Rylan Kennedy – Games – 17 – Tries – 4

“Ryza” is the ultimate team/club man. Backed up for the 13’s on multiple occasions this year but never shirked his duties for this team. Another who gives his absolute all for this team and takes everything very personally. A real leader in the making when he understands that you don’t have to say too much, do it with your actions and tell your team to come with you, which he definitely has the ability to do. When he runs hard and straight, he is devastating and his tackle tech is really coming on. Probably another “400 gamer” for Belrose the way he’s going. Irreplaceable to this team/club!!

Shannon Hiscox – Games – 7

“Shan” was another new recruit this year, and a welcome one at that. Tall and rangy, he really grew this year in confidence and playing ability. Probably one of the best handshakes in Belrose and a super respectful kid. Was a little lost early days in this new venture of Rugby League but proved to be a very



capable player and one to watch if he continues on. Well done mate, was a pleasure to watch your first year. With proper coaching I can see some raw talent which could see him go a long way in this game.

Will Covarr – Games – 9

Will is an uncompromising type of player who has no “Off Switch” and does everything 100 miles an hour. He really revelled under the coaching of Jimmy who would issue him with the simplest of instructions...”Just go mad and run as hard as you can, straight over the top of them!!”which he did without hesitation. Probably the most physically committed in this team....would love to see him continue next year.

Will Jones – Games – 11

“Jonesy” came to us with those Baby Blue eyes as a shy 11 yr old (Playing up an age group) and finished the season as one of our main stays in the front row. A big kid who, once he got over the fact he was younger and he could do this, really started to transfer good training sessions to on field performances. When he figures out how big and strong he is, he will cause some damage. Another the former front rowers in the coaching staff took a shine to as we can see the potential. Keep working hard Jonesy!

Zach Greig – Games – 8

Zach has become a real integral part of our edge in attack and defence. Defensively has grown so much in the last 3 years and this year it seemed no one got through him or around him. Another with speed that I would love him to use more. His improvement over the last 2 season has been fantastic....Keep it up Zach



UNDER 10 TEAM REPORT



Belrose under 10/s player reviews

Hudson McLaren - H had an outstanding year playing fullback, always carried the ball back and beat two or three defenders, was focused during training and was a pleasure to coach, has a lot of potential, look forward to seeing him progress over the next few years

Jax Frankland - Jax was one of our main forwards who always ran hard and carried 2 to 3 players with him on each run. His ball skills improved throughout the year, has the potential to be a force in the forwards if he's willing to put in the work at training

Xander Reid - Xander was a pleasure to coach this year, he had his work cut out for him playing two codes Rugby union and Rugby league. Always had a smile on his face and improved throughout the season. His Last game of the year was easily his best so hopefully he comes back next year.

Will Bruzzano - White boots Will - Will was always committed at training never missing a session, listening to instructions and never complained. Will had a great attitude to compete with every ruck play which stood out against Harbord when he chased down the ball in the corner and scored a try, love seeing his never give up attitude.

Harvey Collins - Harvey had a great year starting on the wing and finishing off in the centres. His defence was outstanding and could finish off a try as well. Harvey was consistent at training and became one of leaders in the team.



Balin Gee - Balin had a superb season and is a very adaptable player, playing in a number of key positions from centre, first receiver and dummy half. Always took on the defence with the ball and his tackling was outstanding. Great footy brain and heaps of potential.

Jordy Plummer - Jordy had a great season. Always took the opposition on with or without the ball. His kicking, passing and running game was enjoyable to watch. A natural leader and was well respected by the boys in the team.

Leo O'Fee - Played a couple of games through the season, ran hard and tackled well, hopefully he finds his passion for footy in the near future.

Kaan Karakurt - First year of playing rugby league and did very well. He improved with his hand skills / tackling and running.

Paddy Flynn - Paddy was a quiet achiever, never complained and always listened at training. His hand skills improved throughout the season.

Mitch Bruzzano - Mitch had a great season, always put his body on the line in attack and defence. Loved to scoot from dummy half and locate the lazy defenders to get the try, it was great to watch him improve throughout the season

Marcus Murchison - Marcus is another player who had a lot on his plate playing three codes this year soccer, rugby union and rugby league. Improved throughout the season with his tackling and passing skills. Will be a dominant player on the edges if he continues with the game.

Luca Nunez-Bateson - Luca had a cracking first year playing rugby league and played consistently every week. His line speed, tackling and running the ball improved throughout the year.

Jordan Casey - This was Jordan's first year playing rugby league and was a silent achiever on the wing. He carried the ball really well and tackled strong. It was great to see him improving with every game throughout the season.

Kingston Hunter - Kong although young is a very mature and natural player. Kongs tackling/ passing and kicking game was terrific. He is a great fit for our team and we are very lucky to have him join the squad

Leon Moir - Leon was another first timer on the rugby league field, he made some great runs on the wing and was another player who showed improvement throughout the season and always gave it his best on the field.

Max Verrills - Max was the character in the team. Always made training fun and loved playing/tackling with all the boys. Max was great defender in the middle of the ruck and never



shied away from bringing any sized player down, he was a very good solid & reliable defender. His kicking and passing game was great for the team.

Michael Baxter - It was hard to believe this was Michael's first year of rugby league. He ran the ball with power and defended with aggression, he took a few hard knocks but wasn't one to come off the field. Look forward to seeing him develop over the next few years.

Lewis McNaughtan - Lewis was another player crossing over codes this year, playing rugby union on a Saturday before turning up to play rugby league. Lewis played with passion and determination, always took the line on with his strong running. He played on the wing and ended up on the edge as a running second rower/centre. His ball skills and tackling improved throughout the season, great year Lewis.

UNDER 9 -1 TEAM REPORT



This year was our first season of competitive football and I think all in all it was a relatively successful year with the boys making it all the way to the division 2 preliminary final . The year started off a little rough with the team being a little behind due to previous seasons being short from covid and having a very minimal and disrupted preseason due to weather . I believe we only got 1 or 2 training sessions in before our first game. It was always going to be a tough season with our side only having 8 players we would regularly have no subs or even be playing short .

We started in division 1 only to play a couple of tough games then being relegated to division 2 . It was a bit of a hit to the team but we came together and talked about the fact it was out of our hands and we will do the best we can in the division we are in. From then we only lost 2 games for the rest of the season including a tough preliminary final against a solid Manly Brothers side who went on to win the grand final . I could not be more proud of the boys for the effort and toughness shown throughout the season. I'd also like to thank Adam Smith for helping with the coaching and carrying out the training duties and a massive thanks to Kristy Andrew's for her role managing the team it would not happen without her.

Player reports

Hunter Smith- Hunter was our captain for the season and had a solid year playing first receiver regularly. His defence was always strong and he often led the way making some big runs at crucial times. Hunter also topped the list of try scorers this season.

Phillip Hall- Phil is just a " footballer " he is a natural leader and a senior member of the team . Phil played the season in first receiver and worked well with Hunter . His defence is second to none . He always puts in 100% wether it be training or the game . Phil's value to the team was well recognised with Phil taking our players player award .



Leo Murace - This is Leo's second season with the Eagles now and he has really become an important member of the team Leo is the epitome of size does not matter his bravery and tackle technique has been enough to constantly bring the big boys down . Leo played this season at dummy half and his speed and evasion made him hard to stop with some great tries, giving him topped try scorers this season.

Will Bray - Will is a pleasure to coach always turning up with a smile this season Will has become a part of the forwards and towards the end of the season started to find his confidence and making some decent dents in the defence .

Harrison Grieg - Harrison is a quite achiever he started to find his confidence at the end of the season and when he put his mind to it he was hard to stop. Harrison filled in at first receiver a few times when we were short and did not let anyone down . Harrison's goal kicking also deserves high recognition.

Koen Needs- Koen plays a tough brand of football . Often taking the hard runs and always putting his body on the line . The last few games of the season Koen really got it together backing himself to run straight and hard and was rewarded with few tries.

Lachlan Andrews - "Beautiful" Lachie is the leader of our forwards and had a bumper season. As a player Lachie has really grown in maturity often leading the way in training and on the field . He was asked to step up and be our enforcer and boy he did terrorising other packs and putting in game after game . Lachie has taken home the coaches award this season .

Will Meteyard - Will had a solid season at dummy half . Will was always reliable at getting to the ruck and getting the ball to his halves . Will also did well at getting out on the back of a quick play the ball and finding some holes often picking up a sneaky try .

	2022			Total			Previous		
	Games	Tries	Goals	Games	Tries	Goals	Games played	Tries	Goals
Lachlan ANDREWS	15	7	5	63	96	11	48	89	6
William BRAY	14	0	1	31	0	2	17	0	1
Harrison GREIG	8	0	6	46	18	8	38	18	2
Phillip HALL	9	8	8	90	85	12	81	77	4
William METEYARD	11	5	1	79	34	1	68	29	0
Leo MURACE	11	29	0	19	50	7	8	21	7
Kown NEEDS	12	5	5	58	88	9	46	83	4
Hunter SMITH	9	14	7	27	75	14	18	61	7



UNDER 9 - 2 TEAM REPORT



We were pleased at the start of the year to see four new faces that had never played rugby league before joining our team.

So the focus for us this year was developing skills and confidence with the newcomers, learning to play together as a team and most importantly, having lots of fun!

Throughout the year the boys were very competitive, they always tried their hardest and never gave up getting better and better with each game.

Our highlight of the year was finally getting our first win in the opening round of the semi finals, something they should all be very proud of.

Looking forward to next season as they have come a long way from the start of the year and improved all their games gaining the skills and confidence needed to really enjoy playing footy!

Hope to see them all again next year.

	2022			Total			Previous		
	Games	Tries	Goals	Games	Tries	Goals	Games played	Tries	Goals
Leo BIRD	11	8	0	20	18	0	9	10	0
Cooper DEVIRES	12	0	1	19	0	2	7	0	1
Benjamin EVANS	12	1	2	28	3	4	16	2	2
Sam JONES	15	27	11	15	27	11	0	0	0
Josh RIMMER	9	13	8	9	13	8	0	0	0
Bodhi ROBERSON	13	0	0	28	1	1	15	1	1
Harry ROBERTSON	10	0	1	10	0	1	0	0	0
Ethan STENSON	10	1	0	17	2	0	7	1	0
Beau STEWART	12	0	2	12	0	2	0	0	0



UNDER 8 TEAM REPORT



U8's Flying Belrose Eagles – (Back Row, Left to Right) Carter Allsopp, Billy Bradfield, Stephen Thatcher (Manager), Marcus Middleton (Coach), Keven Allsopp (Coach), Christopher Kazandjian, Nash Roarty (Front Row, Left to Right) Jack Houston, Noah Kotz, Harvey Bradfield, Chase Ollerton, Henry Middleton, Oliver Thatcher, Rex Prouting-Smith, James Middleton

What a wonderful year it's been. After two years of drastically shortened seasons, we were eager to go and get out on the paddock from March.

Unfortunately, La Niña in Sydney had other plans. A frustrated first two months saw little football action, which was frustrating for the young flock as they saw other sports taking the field and flying in the wet.

Fortunately, winter weather saw the skies start to clear up enough so that the football season could finally start.

However, one does have sympathy for the grounds staff. After two long years of beautiful green fields due to COVID and little contact sport, the wet weather and extended use had Lionel Watts One looking like a mud pit by season's end, hopefully the cricketers can grow the grass back before next season.

Finally, we were able to get eleven games into the year, which was a great comfort for the season, which in April, looked like it literally was going down the drain.

For eight-year-olds, this year is an incredibly challenging period as they transition from the mini-field, to moderate-sized field.

Quickly gone are the days of each player scoring four or five tries a game, as you will note from this year's far more 'modest' try total. The men have to learn perseverance and fortitude that they're not going to score everytime they get the ball – And finally, they're introduced to the idea that rugby league is a team sport.

Overall, as a coaching team we are incredibly proud of how the men have grown this year. It is the first season where they don't have a coach on the field directing things, and they grew into the challenge as the year went on.



Another remarkable achievement was watching the team increase their skill levels each week. From the sidelines, the wonderful impression we saw was that the more proficient the players became, the more they enjoyed what they were doing.



The boys banded together to start a Public Relations Campaign in May in the Daily Telegraph to get our fields open.

As a coaching staff, the improvement in the team over the course of the season was a highlight. The first game against Harbord was a wake-up call for the team where they were soundly beaten. This fuelled their motivation and approach to training which resulted in the return game against Harbord being a close contest.

This was an incredible credit to how far the team had come. Their growing levels of maturity, concentration, and their ability to band together are all wonderful skills they're learning not just about sport, but life in general.

We would like to thank everyone who made this year possible. Deborah Kennedy, David Chalk, Kristy Andrews, Briohney Anderson and all the other volunteers.

A huge thank you also to the good people at Astrea, who were our team's jersey sponsors this year, your help – And that of all the other local sponsors is so important to the success of the club and keeping junior rugby league the most affordable sporting option for local families.

A HUGE thank-you to the treasurer Eric Galloway. It was wonderful to see the facilities named after Eric this year, a fitting tribute to a work horse.

And finally, last but not least, a huge thank you to all the parents in the team, who rush home from work to get kids to training, run around the Northern Beaches and beyond swapping cars, juggling different sporting commitments and children in other ages to make sure your sons get to play. It may seem a thankless task now, however it brings joy to these kids who love football, and we are sure they will reflect fondly and thank your efforts decades from now.



2022 BELROSE UNDER 8's STATISTICS					
PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
ALLSOPP, Carter	9	1	4	19	16
BRADFIELD, Billy	9	7	3	18	18
BRADFIELD, Harvey	7	0	1	3	10
HOUSTON, Jack	7	11	1	37	13
KAZANDJIAN, Chris	10	0	2	0	10
KOTZ, Noah	10	13	3	83	43
MIDDLETON, Henry	10	5	1	80	51
MIDDLETON, James	10	1	1	65	81
OLLERTON, Chase	11	2	1	2	11
PROUTING-SMITH, Rex	10	7	2	68	28
ROARTY, Nash	11	5	4	66	79
THATCHER, Oliver	11	9	5	46	28

Moving on to Under 9's Football:

Firstly, we look forward to seeing everyone returning again in the New Year. We again look forward to picking up where we left off. A few things to remember for next year.

1. Register before the end of December 2022 to allow adequate time for the ordering of uniforms and kit.
2. Under 9's is the first year where there will be competition, finals and premierships.
3. Training will move from one session, to two sessions per week (Tuesday & Thursday).
4. Recruitment. We will see several players moving on next year, through moving interstate, or returning to their own age groups. Please ensure that you try to convince the parent of every child you know to join the team next year! We would love to have them.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
ALLSOPP, Carter	9	1	4	19	16

Carter was unrecognisable this year, compared to his first season with the club. He was more confident, showed more speed and skill, and really thrived in growing into a powerful player within the team. He is extremely well-mannered and always is keen to learn. He would be worth developing into a strong backrower or centre. Carter's strengths are his ability to read the play and positioning in defence which will support his development moving forward.



PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
BRADFIELD, Billy	9	7	3	18	18

Billy was an unbreakable force of nature, powering through the defence with incredible line breaks, strength and speed throughout the year.

His confidence grew as the season progressed which saw him grow as a player and set the foundation for the team with straight and hard running.

Hopefully he continues to build his finer skills.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
BRADFIELD, Harvey	7	0	1	3	10

Harvey is the type of player everyone loves to coach. Quiet, but determined, he soaks up everything he's taught and then explodes with grit and determination, with toughness well beyond his years. One of the youngest and smallest in the side, he is one of the bravest, which probably comes from having Billy running around the yard at home keeping him honest.

Harvey has been a pleasure to coach, and I think he will continue to grow with his knowledge of the game and experience.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
HOUSTON, Jack	7	11	1	37	13

While the rest of the team eats corn flakes, Jack is a kid who eats nails and broken glass for breakfast.

Technically proficient, one of the teams strongest in defence and attack, Jack will go from strength to strength as he grows in maturity and gains a better understanding of the game. Jack displays the traits of a hard running and hard hitting backrower with huge potential.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
KAZANDJIAN, Chris	10	0	2	0	10

'The Armenian Assassin' – Chris was one of our newest recruits this year, and we were over the moon to have him come aboard. His massive size and towering physique for a child of his age was worth huge psychological benefit during warm ups as other teams would look across and cower.

His first year ever playing contact sport... Once Chris figures out he has the size, strength, and toughness to be an asset to the team. He will be an unstoppable front rower. All he needs is confidence and self-belief.



PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
KOTZ, Noah	10	13	3	83	43

Noah has somehow managed to overcome his father's devotion to South Sydney to become an effective little superstar of the team. One would think that with Simon growing up in the 1990's – He would have had limited things to teach Noah, however the private tutoring has clearly helped, as he is both one of the most prolific try scorers in the team, but also incredibly intelligent in reading defend to make him an absolute weapon in attack.

Noah's attacking skill is undisputed. However, to really take it to the next level, next year the coaching staff would like to see him really develop his own defensive game, to become a brilliant all round asset to the halves moving forward.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
MIDDLETON, Henry	10	5	1	80	51

What can we say about Harry... Every team has one. Incredibly disruptive, more inclined to play around than train, and mischievous to a tee. Harry is a strong committed defender and often knows when to seize an opportunity to run. As Harry develops a greater understanding of the game he has the potential to develop into a scheming No 9.

We know he will be greatly missed next year, and we wish him well back in the Under 8's who are getting a quality player.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
MIDDLETON, James	10	1	1	65	81

Jim is a brilliant thinker in the team, who has more than once sat down on a Friday night and developed the team lists, thinking about who should play where, who compliments who, and who should be on and off the field to make sure there is always a balanced team.

One would only hope he put this much effort into his school work, as crafting a perfect football team. We are proud of the approach Jim has taken to the idea of teamwork, punching it up the middle and being completely reliable to do the job that's asked of him.

It will be great to see this focused approach continue next season, one of the best attitudes towards training in the team also greatly appreciated by the coaches. Jim has the potential to grow into a great player as his confidence grows.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
OLLERTON, Chase	11	2	1	2	11



Another new recruit this year – Chase is an enthusiastic player who improved every time he took the field. As the season progressed Chase grew in confidence, this resulted in more committed defence, sharper skills and more direct running which resulted in Chase getting his first tries in league.

The passion he shows at training is great to see, he has made great progress in his first year playing the game. We look forward to Chase returning a more confident player next year.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
PROUTING-SMITH, Rex	10	7	2	68	28

Rex is one of the most reliable young men in the team, who was completely capable to excel with any task he was given.

Rex displays maturity beyond his years in his ability to focus, play the game, get things done and work hard.

He has a natural skill in both attack and defence that is only heightened by his hard work. Rex's family have opted to move to Queensland, where we hope he will stick with Rugby League.

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
ROARTY, Nash	11	5	4	66	79

Nash is a 'natural leader' who thrives in that position and has a presence others will follow. This is a great attribute for a young man to have in life.

Nash has an explosive running style and is a dynamic forward, who has a toughness and controlled aggression which is incredibly suited to Rugby League. We hope Nash continues to have a passion for the game and is back and suited up ready to play next year!

PLAYER	2022 Games	2022 Tries	2022/Total Goals	Total Club Tries	TOTAL GAMES
THATCHER, Oliver	11	9	5	46	28

If there were odds available at the TAB, we would be all in betting that the man named 'Maggie' is the toughest kid not just in Belrose, but the district.

His ability to take it to players twice his size is a marvel to watch. Maggie never takes a backwards step. He is a dangerous triple threat packed with toughness, talent, and the drive to succeed.

He loves rugby league and if he can maintain his incredible work ethic, will be a star of the future for sure.



UNDER 7 TEAM REPORT



After a very stop/start season of U/6's in 2021, it was great to see our returning U/7's and new additions get plenty of game time in 2022.

With only 8 total players this year, everyone got plenty of 1-on-1 coaching from Liam and I, which was really just us repeating the same instruction over and over, with very little listening, until it was time for bullrush.

Despite this, our U/7's would arrive with plenty of "energy" every Thursday night and a willingness to throw themselves into every drill, skill or competitive game we set up for them – and this carried over into their improved performances every week.

The highlight of the season was when we played in the mud at Nolan's Reserve. During warm-ups we had the kids roll around in the mud, so they wouldn't worry about tackling or being tackled in it. It proved to be a masterstroke, as the kids had the most fun they'd had all year and their performance (running and tackling) was outstanding (and very entertaining!).

We continued to see rapid improvement across the board in the weeks that followed, as each players' confidence continued to grow, and our team performances reflected this. We can honestly say this was a welcome sight for us, as we had begun to wonder if we had been talking to ourselves at training every week or whether we were even up to it.

The way the season finished gives us tremendous confidence that our team will improve again in 2023. With more consistent enforcement of the rules (which they all came to know and tell the referee about), a bigger field and hopefully a little more listening, I think we'll have plenty of great years ahead together. The kids are all great teammates and natural born competitors, which was evident at training. Although they competed hard, their care for one another and teamwork showed up on game day and this is a key element of team sport we will continue to develop in 2023.



We also wanted to thank our team manager Alex Ossington. Your support has been greatly appreciated by the kids, the parents and us, so on behalf of all of us, thank you.

Also, a big thank you to Briohney Anderson and Deb Kennedy for your assistance with registrations, training and playing gear and every other request we threw your way.

Looking forward to U/8's next year.

Jamie & Liam

PLAYER REPORTS U7'S

NAMES	REPORTS	TRIES
Haddon Ossington	Haddon loves to run the ball and he used consistently used his palm and height to make a dent in the defensive line. Always looking for a late offload, Haddon is usually passing for teammates to score or supporting an offload from a teammate for a try of his own. We saw his defence start to develop as the year progressed and we look forward to seeing him continue this improvement next year.	16
Eden Buhner	Eden had another great season, where she routinely used her trademark speed, footwork and agility to scored plenty of great tries. Eden shows no fear mixing it with the boys and started to improve her tackling by years end. If she starts listening to her father at training, she might be even better in 2023.	17
Cruz Bidois	Cruz was a real improver from last season, as his confidence at training and on game day grew throughout the season. Cruz' big step and speed saw plenty of great runs and he made some big tackles during the second half of the season. We look forward to seeing Cruz continue to develop in 2023.	1
Max Baldwin	Max loves to talk and is our teams' best communicator. During the year, Max developed a fondness for being the dummy half, where he could distribute the ball to his teammates. His late step saw a number of long runs and tries to finish the season off, and we look forward to seeing him back with us next season.	5
Finn Lovett	Finn loves to tackle. Sometimes he tackles his own teammates, but on game day he's only got eyes for the opposition, and we saw some great try saving tackles throughout the season. Blessed with a great late offload, he often lobbed the ball to teammates to set up their tries. We look forward to seeing Finn's improvement in his 3 rd season next year.	8
Fred Wood	Fred had a fantastic first season with Belrose, where he was the team's leading try scorer and our heat seeking missile in defence. Fred loves rugby league and that shows up at training where he listens intently to instruction,	54



	and on game day with his will to win. Fred is also a great teammate, and we look forward to seeing him back again next year.	
Daniel McNaughtan	Daniel runs like the wind and often used his speed to run around the opposition to score tries in his first season for Belrose. Daniel was also a willing tackler and made several try savers using great technique around the hips. Daniel is an enthusiastic trainer and always a competitor and we look forward to seeing what he can do in 2023.	11
Jordan Cameron	Jordy's big smile is infectious, and his positivity is a welcome addition to our team at training and on game day. Jordy showed a real willingness to tackle players well above his weight as the season progressed and his improved footwork was on display at training and during games. We look forward to seeing him improve with his teammates again next year.	3

UNDER 6 TEAM REPORT



Noel Vea

Noel is a Gentle giant that definitely knows how to play footy. Amazing tries every week and cover tackles better than the NRL. Still young for under 6s and understands the game great for his age. Looking forward to seeing what he can do next year.

Raph Koutz

Raph had a great season with us this year. Very enthusiastic and if he had it his way would take every run in the game. Loves to hang back and tackle kids just before they get to score a try. I think we have a future full back on our hands

Johnny Alder

Johnny came back to us this year full steam ahead! Scoring great tries every game with his speed and strength and really stepped it up with his tackles. Great to see him loving his footy!

Hunter Needham

Hunter joined us this year and loved it. Always had a big smile on his face when running and was great to see the excitement on his face when he scored tries or made a tackle. Hunter also learnt how to palm his opponents half way through the season (nice one Noddy)

Finn Van Eersel

It was Finns first year with us and he picked it up really fast. This kid loves the contact some big tackles and he runs hard and straight and enjoyed a lot of tries doing that this year. We have definitely got ourselves a front rower here.

Josh Meade

Josh went great in his Second year of footy. He loves to run the ball and got some great tries running into space around the opponents. Great work Josh looking forward to see you back next year.

**Zac Alder**

Zac loves his footy this year has has a good understanding of the game. His new found speed and side step had him stepping and dodging through teams with some great tries. There was a big improvement in his tackling from last year which was great to see. Well done Zac.

Reggie Alder

This was Reggie's first year of footy and loved being apart of the team. His favourite part of the week was footy training so he could practice tackling and and scoring tries. Looking forward to seeing Reg back in the under 6s next year.

Archie Meade

Archie loved his first year of footy. He was always excited when it was his run and always had a big smile on his face. He picked up some good skills this year that and learnt how the game works. Can't wait to see him ripping it up in the under 6's next year.

Joe pepper

Joe had a great second year of footy. Joe gained really good confidence during this year and good speed that allowed him to get tries most weeks Down the sideline. Great work Joe.

Issac Walsh

Issac's first year of footy and he has picked it up really fast. Always excited play and is absolutely stoked every time it's his run. Gained some good confidence in his tackles second half of the year and now really enjoys defence.

Brock Sharp

Was Brock's first year of footy. He picked the game up very easily and is always keen to listen and learn. Brock had some great runs and tries during the year but his strong defence is what impressed me the most. He's a natural greAt work brock Alex Hall

Alex Hall

This was Alex's first year of footy. He had a great season. Always wanting to run the ball and had some great full Field tries straight up the middle of the defence with no fear. Really enjoys his footy and excited to see him back next season.



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