

NZ Rugby pays tribute to former President Lane Penn



New Zealand Rugby today paid tribute to former President and All Blacks selector Lane Penn who passed away on Friday.

The Wairarapa Bush stalwart was a highly respected and well liked rugby figure who made a mark at every level of the game, said New Zealand Rugby acting Chairman Graham Cooney.

"He was a fine ambassador of the game and one of rugby's true gentlemen," said Cooney.

"Lane was a great coach and leader. He had that rare gift of knowing exactly how to manage players so they performed to their potential. Those who played under him say he got the best out of teams by inspiring players to believe in themselves and his coaching record certainly bears that out.

"We extend our sympathies to his wife Jill and family. He will be greatly missed by them, the rugby community of Wairarapa Bush and the wider New Zealand rugby family."

Penn was a stand-out player in his younger days. The Stratford born winger excelled while playing for the New Plymouth Boys High School First XV and made the rare step up to provincial rugby while still at school, earning more than 50 caps for Taranaki.

He took over from Sir Brian Lochore as coach of Wairarapa Bush for four seasons in 1983 and ensured they remained in the first division.

Penn also successfully coached a number of national sides including divisional teams and served as All Blacks Assistant Coach under Alex Wylie. He went on to be an All Blacks selector from 1988 to 1991 and became President of the New Zealand Rugby Union in 2001.

His funeral will be held on Friday at 1pm, at the Grandstand, Memorial Park, Dixon St, Masterton.



"Our Rugby - Just brilliant"



Tui Cup Senior Draw Round 1 Senior Draw (2.30pm) 17th May 2014 (Home teams first)

East Coast vs. Carterton Greytown vs. Pioneer Marist vs. Eketahuna Martinborough vs. Gladstone



Burger King Senior Reserve Competition) Friday Night 16th May 7.00 pm Gladstone vs. Greytown Saturday 17th May 1.00 pm

East Coast vs. Tuhirangi Eketahuna vs. Marist Pioneer vs. Carterton Martinborough BYE

Burger King Player of the Week

Wins \$50 Burger King Bucks Voucher: Reece Calkin

This week's Burger King game will be: Gladstone vs. Greytown

SUNDAY 18TH MAY 2014 Millhillians vs. WAGS & Evergreens Memorial Park 1 12.30pm



2014 Stats Tui Cup 3 Top Points Scorer Joseph Thompson (Pioneer) 74 Tom Meuli (Eketahuna) 65 Tipi Haira (Martinborough) 50

Tui Cup Most Tries (More than 5)

Sam Monaghan (Eketahuna) 6 Sean Robinson (Pioneer) 6 Inia Katia (Gladstone) 5 Gareth Van Dalen (Greytown) 5 Laurence Titter (Marist) 5

Tui Cup Most Conversions

Joseph Thompson (Pioneer) 21 Tom Meuli (Eketahuna) 12 Kingi Kawai (Greytown) 11

Tui Cup Most Penalties

Byron Karaitiana (East Coast) 11 Tipi Haira (Martinborough) 10

Ultimate Club Points Machine

(Senior & Reserves combined) Pioneer 428 Greytown 334 Eketahuna 322

Ultimate Try Scoring Premier Team Greytown 36 Pioneer 30

Eketahuna 29

2013 Nunn Shield

Gladstone won the shield off Greytown on Saturday and now hold this. The Nunn Shield is certainly moving around the district.

WHO WAS THE FIRST TRY SCORER FOR 2014? Tom Meuli (Eketahuna 10 minutes)



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What about joining up to be part of our President Club sponsorship and support Wairarapa Bush Representative Teams for \$500 + GST. In return we offer these benefits:

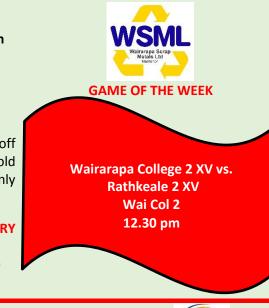
- Two Season tickets with your companies name print on attached to a lanyard.
- Pre Match hospitality (Home games)
- Entry into the draws for All Black Test Tickets, 2015 Seven's tickets, Branded rugby balls, Wairarapa Bush Jersey.
- Acknowledgment of your support in our Match day programme and our Webpage.

Ground Sign Sponsorship

We have our last Four Sign spaces available for 2014.

If you are keen to be part of our elite group give Deb or Tony a ring on 06 378 8369 or email

<u>debby@waibush.co.nz</u>. We would love to hear from you.











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Dead Ball Charlie's Highlights of the week

Lane Penn, Dead Ball Charlie could not have known a greater person and his contribution to our rugby and community will be sorely missed but remembered forever.

Even Lane would have been impressed with Gladstone upset win over Greytown on the weekend. That put the cat amongst the pigeons (or ducks as it is duck shooting season).

Pioneer Reserves looked sharp in Tuhirangi "field of lust green grass" and gee those Tuhirangi guys know how to make visitors welcomed with their hospitality.

Question of week

We head into 1977 – WBRU played Waikato in Hamilton, what was the score?



BREAKING NEWS WBRU Annual Awards Dinner will be held on August 9th 2014. This is a new concept and we will have more details to follow.

Old Timers/Past Players Dates

Carterton 24th May Pioneer 24th May Greytown 14th June Marist 14th June East Coast 21st June Gladstone 28th June



Look for this logo on our webpage under "Draws/Results" to get all Full Club rugby draws and results.

"OUR RUGBY JUST BRILLIANT"

Team	Wins	Draws	Losses	Bonus	Points
Pioneer	5	0	1	6	26
Greytown	5	0	1	5	25
Eketahuna	5	0	1	4	24
Gladstone	3	0	3	3	15
Marist	2	0	4	3	11
East Coast	2	0	4	1	9
Martinborough	1	0	5	3	7
Carterton	1	0	5	1	5

Team	Wins	Draw	Losses	Bonus	Points
Pioneer	5	0	0	4	24
Marist	4	0	1	5	21
Martinborough	4	0	2	4	21
Greytown	4	0	1	2	18
Tuhirangi	2	0	3	3	11
Eketahuna	2	0	3	3	11
East Coast	2	0	4	2	10
Gladstone	1	0	3	0	4
Carterton	0	0	6	0	0

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JAB News

The season got underway on Saturday May 10th Clubs were overwhelmed by late entries requiring a delay in the finalizing of the draw. NZRU his year have introduced a new rule which states clearly that all player below Secondary 1XV must get ½ a game. They also stipulate that then are no rolling subs. This is to counter the tardiness of resting key players which is primarily result driven. However, in the case of players injured on suffering from fatigue it is important to use common sense in such circumstances.

A player survey taken this year clearly indicated that children stopped playing rugby citing lack of game time as a major contribution.

Wairarapa Bush would like to acknowledge the many volunteers who are coaching, administering and referring all JAB and Secondary School level.



Event	Date	Details
Queen's Birthday Weekend	31 st May – 2 nd June	NO CLUB RUGBY PLAYED
WBRU Annual Awards Dinner	9 th August	More information to come
Heartland Season Kicks Off	23 rd August	Vs. King Country Taupo (Book your
		accommodation now)



On Saturday, whilst watching an extremely good Senior match between Pioneer and Eketahuna, I saw something I had never seen before at a rugby game. It sent me scurrying home to check the Law Book to find out whether the Referee and Assistant referees had managed the situation correctly and fairly. They had.

So here's what happened.

In the match, a Pioneer front rower was sent off and at the next scrum a replacement front rower came from the reserves to take his place. And, as the Law requires, because Pioneer had to reduce their playing numbers to 14, the Pioneer captain nominated one of their big lock forwards to leave the field. After a few more minutes, it was clear that the Team Management had realised their captain had nominated the wrong player and they tried to have the lock return to the game and have another player take his place on the sideline. This 'swap' was vetoed by the Referees and the Lock stayed on the sideline for the rest of the match.

So the Question was: "Were Pioneer allowed to rotate their nominated player back onto the field?" The answer is "NO". Under NZ Domestic Safety Law Variations – Law 3.13 - the "nominated" player who leaves the field cannot return to the game for the entire period of the suspension. As the front rower had been sent off, it meant the nominated player could never return in that match. If it had been a Yellow Card, the period of absence would have stopped at 10 minutes. It is a timely reminder to all Team Management to think wisely about who you nominate to leave the field. You are stuck with that decision.

The ref will be watching and so will I.

The Whistle Blower.

Secondary School Games this Saturday SECONDARY SCHOOLS (WTGN):

Kuranui 1XVvHVHS 2XVGreytown RFC 1

SECONDARY SCHOOLS (MRFU):

Wairarapa 2XV v Rathkeale 2XV Wairarapa College 2

SECONDARY SCHOOLS (WBRFU):

JUNIOR GRADE:

Wairarapa Bl	ue v	Wairarapa Gold	Wairarapa College 3
Kuranui	v	Makoura	Kuranui College 1
Chanel	v	Rathkeale	Memorial Park

Eketahuna 2ZE FM 106.5FM will broadcast live from Greytown Rugby Club Greytown vs. Pioneer Commentator: Dan Te Tau

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