

The background of the cover is a dark green overlay on a photograph of rugby players in action. The players are wearing light-colored jerseys and are huddled together. A large, faint white outline of a shamrock is centered over the image. Two diagonal stripes of a lighter shade of green run from the top-left and bottom-right corners towards the center.

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

WOONONA
**SHAMROCKS
RUGBY CLUB**



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President's Report 2023

We had a difficult start to the season as we tried to secure a coach, after Paul Ridgway decided to take a well-earned break. Once Damien Trevillion came on board we settled down to a good year. With good senior numbers, we were able to field 2 senior teams. Unfortunately, we suffered a high injury rate, and so those numbers didn't look so good in the heat of battle.

So, we welcome Damien to Shamrocks, he has quickly become a committed Shamrock and has been welcomed as such.

Unfortunately, we suffered an exodus of some key players at the end of last year, so this was always going to be a rebuilding year. 1st grade battled hard but could only finish 7th after losing a couple of "clutch" games. However, the young players coming through show a lot of potential.

2nd grade made it to the semi-finals, after a spectacular try in the corner in the final minute against Tech Tahs made it through. We then met Shoalhaven in the Preliminary final, they were just too good.

We will be working hard again during the coming off-season to build player number in 2024.

So far it looks like we can, again, play 3 grades in 2024. Our main aim still remains "that anyone who wants to play rugby for Shamrocks can, and will get plenty of game time".

Paul Ridgway will return to the Head Coaching position for 2024, he has assembled a top coaching staff. This coaching crewing will be second to none in the Illawarra and will be able to produce a strong team out of the promising young players we have coming through.

Yet again, the Shamrocks volunteers were out in strength, building a strong club culture and strong financials. This shows how important it is to have a large and dedicated corps of volunteers, our volunteers provide the foundations from which we build the club's rugby. This year the canteen crew broke the ton \$100k (congratulations team), that's a lot of beer and sausages. A big thanks to the Thursday crew, the canteen volunteers and the army of other volunteers that are so core to the functioning of our club.

The juniors did well on the field, however we continue to struggle for numbers. 2024 will see the introduction of a High School competition in the Illawarra, Keiran Smith has volunteered to lead Shamrock's efforts in connecting with the local high schools. He will work with Crackers to convert those contacts to Shamrocks.

I would also like to thank our major sponsor Access Law for their support this year, as well as a long list of other sponsors.

2024 looks very bright for Shamrocks with a lot of initiatives on the go, and with a solid base (financial, people and physical) to support them, they all have a very good chance of success.

Huw Thomas

Club President



Office Bearers

Woonona Shamrocks Rugby Club 2023 Annual General Meeting OFFICE BEARERS	
Executive Committee	
President	Huw Thomas
Vice President	Vaughan Judd
Director Juniors Rugby	Andrew Cracknell
Hon Secretary	Vacant
Hon Treasurer	Mark Dandridge
Club Captain	Dale Sullivan
Management Committee	
Match Day Chairperson	Vaughan Judd
Assistant Secretary	Vacant
Assistant Treasurer	Terry Nutt
Social Chairperson	Denise Hyam
Players Representatives	Damien Clark
Registrar	Vaughan Judd
Hall Convener	Vacant
Canteen Manager	Michael Hyam
Grounds Manager	Mark Ziebell
Juniors Treasurer	Vacant
Juniors Registrar	Vacant
IDRU Delegate	Huw Thomas
Marketing & Communications	Tricia Thomas
Womens' Rugby Coaching Development	Bryan James
Co-ordinator Coaching/referees	Vacant
Other Club Office Bearers	
Licensee	Andrew Cracknell
Hon Solicitor	Tom Ellicott
Hon Auditor	Andrew Webb
Communications	Jack McConnell
Juniors Sub Committee	
Director Junior Rugby (Chairperson)	Andrew Cracknell
Juniors Treasurer	Vacant
Juniors Registrar	Vacant



2023 Club Membership Overview

Life Members: (17)

Roderick Gilmour	Chris Filan (d)	Scott McKellar	Bruce Robey
Patrick Ryan	Grahame Tresidder	Raymund Wylie	Barry Cavanough
Mark Dandridge	Terry Nutt	Ken Phillis	Eon Chapman
Kieran Smith	Andrew Cracknell	Barry Aylett	Mark Stone
Vaughan Judd			

Life Subscription Members: (5)

Brian Cooney	Sean Filan	Tim Filan	Jeff Horne
	Frank Peterson		

Non Playing (Associate) Members:

48

Playing Members:

65



2023 Seniors Coaches and Managers

1st Grade

Head Coach – Damien Trevillion

Ass Coach – Matthew Jolly

Manager – Kieran Smith

2nd Grade

Coach – Ben Ridgway

Manager – Kieran Smith

FIRST GRADE REPORT

31st January 2023, Nicho Park, Woonona, this was my introduction to the Shamrocks. It was terrific to see so many players turning up to train despite there being no head coach, basically no preseason and yet still willing to put their body on the line for the mighty Shamrocks. All and sundry were extremely welcoming and willing and it made my job easier as the newly appointed coach of 1st Grade. The boys worked well in the weeks leading up to season kick off however, numbers were low on Tuesdays and at times we lacked consistency in training numbers overall and this was reflected in our fitness in the lead up to season kick off. I put this down to the late appointment as head coach and the fact that so many players now had other commitments. That said, as a group we were starting to come together and we had some solid trials against Tech and Shoalies in the lead up to the season proper. Round 1 was against Kiama away and it was a tight contest throughout and I feel this game would go on to typify the season. Although leading with twenty minutes to go, first grade would go on to lose by ten. We would throughout the season lose a further 6 games where the margin was either less than ten or we were in a position to win with a quarter of the match to go. You can't put an old head on young shoulders and composure in key moments in matches certainly cost us dearly. That as well as the extremely long injury list, many injuries season ending, as demonstrated by the fact that in 1st grade we used something in the order of 44 players. Which brings me to some of the highlights for the season. Being able to give



young players their first grade debut gives a tremendous sense of pride and joy and this year it seemed like it was almost a weekly event. To those players again congratulations and I hope it gives you a taste of what's to come and spurs you on for a bigger and better season in 2024. Aside from that, we also had many players stepping up from 2nds in 2022 into regular firsts in 2023. These players will be the backbone of the club in the years to come and through hard work and commitment will bring success to the club. On the paddock there were terrific performances for first grade including: beating Tech on the bell in round 3; giving it to Shoalies in the 1st half in round 9; coming oh so close against Kiama in round 11 and finishing the season on a high against Uni. We played a brash style of rugby that took no prisoners however, unfortunately we were often on the wrong side of the penalty count. That said, with more experience this young group of players is definitely on the way up. What will be required moving forward is a solid off and pre-season and a dedication to each other and the team. With consistent high performance training transferring to game day. I would like to thank everyone at the club, spectators, members, the committee, players, and sponsors who allow the team to train and play and for your terrific support throughout the season. Of particular mention is the committee, which has been of great support especially to the playing group. When playing at different grounds you hear of players/coaches/managers also having to cook the BBQ, look after the grounds etc etc. It's fantastic that as a coach I could focus on just that, coaching. Moreover I would like to thank the social committee. Without doubt we provide the best hospitality to visiting clubs (I can't believe we didn't win that award) and the social evenings for our players to remain connected and enjoy each other's company has been a strength of the playing group. I would like to make special mention to the volunteers who are in part an extension of the committee. They deserve special recognition. Without the Final XV, the canteen crew, BBQ crew and everyone who volunteers their time at the club, thank you. Without your support there is no game day. To Matt, Kieran and Ben, thanks for all your support throughout the year. You definitely made my job easier and nothing was ever too difficult. I think as a team we worked extremely well together with everyone providing tremendous input into training, game day and the season. I'm looking forward to working with you again next year. Lastly, special thanks to the playing group. Your willingness to take the journey with me was inspiring, it was you



who made me want to put in the hours and effort and made me enjoy every training session. I hope we can grow as a group together in both our rugby prowess and as men.

Damien Trevillion

Head Coach

SECOND GRADE REPORT

The 2023 Second Grade season got off to a quiet start, with myself only committing to the Second Grade coaching role very late into the preseason. I was excited for this new challenge in my rugby career as I have never coached before.

This year we saw many new players join our club, most of which had little to no contact or rugby experience. With a very inexperienced side sprinkled with some old heads, we started fast and strung wins together in the middle of the season.

However, with many injuries in First Grade, we did not field the same team 2-weeks in a row until finals in late August. Many of the consistent Second Grade players would play out of position. During these games they showed resilience, passion, and a lot of Shamrock pride.

We faced many challenges throughout the season. The first being, only fielding 14 men against a bigger, stronger Tech side and having to forfeit against Avondale in the first round citing player welfare and lack of players due to injury. We redeemed ourselves when we played Avondale in the second round of the competition, playing against their full First Grade side. Our effort could not be faulted, and a tremendous amount of respect was earned from the coaching team and supporters who attended.

Making the preliminary final was a fantastic achievement considering the hurdles we had jumped to get there. Lack of depth and fitness is what brought us undone in the end, falling short to Shoalhaven.



Positives for the 2024 season is that many, if not all players, are returning to give it another crack and try to get one win further. The youth in our club is our biggest strength and is it imperative that we provide them with high quality coaching and the resources to be successful. This will set up a platform to ensure our club continues to be a powerhouse in the IDRU for another 50 years.

The club continues to have an outstanding culture and the relationship between the players and the board is a strong reason for this. I thank the coaches Damien, Matt and Kieran for their help this year, for making it and enjoyable and successful season for all involved.

Ben Ridgeway

Second Grade Coach

2023 Club Awards		
1 st XV	2 nd XV	
<i>Best and Fairest Alex Crotti</i>	<i>Best & Fairest Kiefer Powers</i>	<i>Coaches Award Sam Hodson</i>
<i>Best Forward Heath Robinson</i>	<i>Best Forward Lucas Leonard</i>	<i>Most Promising Finn Kiefer</i>
<i>Best Back Liam Rowntree</i>	<i>Best Back Dale Sullivan</i>	<i>Most Consistent Will Ridgeway</i>



2023 SEASON SNAPSHOT	1st GRADE	2nd GRADE
PLAYED	16	16
WON	4	10
DRAW	2	1
LOSS	9	5
FORFIET	1	0
POINTS SCORED	280	388
POINTS AGAINST	445	285
Plus / Minus	-196	103
Comp Points	25 / 79	50 / 79
Comp Position	7th of 9	3rd of 9
Player Numbers	45	62



2023 SEASON RESULT SHEET								
DATE	1st Grade	RESULT	SCORE		DATE	2nd Grade	RESULT	SCORE
Apr-15	v Kiama	Loss	27 - 17		Apr-15	v Kiama	Win	0 - 38
Apr-22	v Camden	Win	37 - 36		Apr-22	v Camden	Win	30 - 12
Apr-29	NIL (v Vikings)				Apr-29	v Vikings	Win	7 - 17
May-06	v Tech/Tahs	Win	26 - 19		May-06	v Tech/Tahs	Loss	17 - 38
May-13	v Shoalhaven	Loss	0 - 59		May-13	v Shoalhaven	Loss	8 - 22
May-20	v Avondale	Loss	53 - 12		May-20	v Avondale	Loss	27 - 0
May-27	v Campbelltown	Loss	28 - 22		May-27	NIL (v Campbelltown)		
Jun-03	v Bowral	Loss	17 - 22		Jun-03	v Bowral	Win	35 - 12
Jun-17	v Shoalhaven	Loss	52 - 10		Jun-17	v Shoalhaven	Loss	33 - 7
Jun-24	v University	Win	22 - 20		Jun-24	v University	Win	44 - 15
Jul-01	v Kiama	Loss	30 - 33		Jul-01	v Kiama	Win	36 - 5
Jul-08	v Camden	Draw	26 - 26		Jul-08	v Camden	Draw	19 - 19
Jul-14	NIL (v Vikings)				Jul-14	v Vikings	Win	40 - 7
Jul-22	v Tech/Tahs	Loss	38 - 22		Jul-22	v Tech/Tahs	Win	7 - 21
Jul-29	v Avondale	Forfiet			Jul-29	v Avondale	Loss	12 - 43
Aug-05	v Campbelltown	Loss	27 - 14		Aug-05	NIL (v Campbelltown)		
Aug-12	v Bowral	Draw	0 - 0		Aug-12	v Bowral	Win	24 - 26
Aug-19	v University	Win	5 - 25		Aug-19	v University	Win	14 - 38
Elimination Final					Sep-02	v Shoalhaven	Loss	39 - 29



2023 PLAYER STATS									
First Name	Last Name	Trys	Points	Total	1st	2nd	2023	Prev	Total
Declan	Adams	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	2
Nicholas	Anderson	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
Corey	Aylett	0	0	0	0	1	1	95	96
Rhys	Barkey	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	2
Josh	Burton	0	0	0	1	6	7	0	7
Ben	Castle	2	0	10	0	2	2	0	2
Lachlan	Cauduro	1	0	5	12	4	16	27	43
Dylan	Chalk	1	0	5	9	2	11	31	42
Corey	Chinnock Clark	7	0	35	13	10	23	30	53
Samuel	Clissold	0	0	0	0	1	1	151	152
Euan	Colquhoun	1	0	5	1	7	8	0	8
Robbie	Coso	2	0	10	4	10	14	149	163
Nicholas	Cracknell	1	0	5	2	0	2	80	82
Alex	Crotti	1	0	5	14	1	15	0	15
Richard	Darlow	0	0	0	1	13	14	119	133
Timothy	De Lucia	0	0	0	5	4	9	19	28
Harry	Devine	3	0	15	11	1	12	110	122
Isaac	Devine	0	0	0	3	8	11	32	43
Thomas	Eagleton	1	0	5	3	16	19	0	19
Hamish	Ellicott	1	0	5	2	6	8	11	19
Max	Elmes	0	0	0	0	2	2	5	7
Tyreece	George	2	0	10	13	1	14	33	47
Rory	Harrington	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	3
Sam	Hodson	0	0	0	1	10	11	0	11
Joshua	Jago	0	0	0	13	3	16	20	36
Aidan	Joerdens	0	0	0	1	10	11	14	25
Vaughan	Judd	0	0	0	0	1	1	164	165
Griffin	Kauffman	2	0	10	9	7	16	0	16
Finn	Kiefer	3	0	15	0	15	15	0	15
Lachlan	King	3	0	15	2	12	14	105	119
Bailie	Leonard	1	0	5	3	1	4	7	11
Isaac	Leonard	1	20	25	4	4	8	9	17
Lucas	Leonard	3	0	15	9	11	20	13	33
Lachlan	Mackinnon	0	0	0	1	1	2	117	119
Todd	McCole	0	0	0	0	1	1	82	83
Jack	McConnell	7	0	35	9	2	11	24	35
Xavier	Mcdevitt	0	0	0	10	1	11	182	193
Brad	Meades	1	0	5	1	6	7	16	23
Heath	Moore	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	3
Jack	Mott	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2
Dylan	Mowbray	2	0	10	3	7	10	86	96
Brenden	Newton	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
Jesse	Parahi	4	0	20	7	0	7	25	32
Todd	Pattison	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
Dylan	Pearce-McGeary	5	0	25	2	7	9	40	49
Keifer	Power	9	0	45	4	12	16	6	22
Jake	Psaras	0	0	0	0	1	1	110	111



Liam	Rasch	1	0	5	2	2	4	0	4
Will	Ridgway	1	15	20	14	2	16	61	77
Ben	Ridgway	12	57	117	3	16	19	59	78
Heath	Robinson	6	0	30	14	2	16	43	59
Liam	Rowntree	6	6	36	14	2	16	9	25
Ryan	Schoupp	2	67	77	9	1	10	148	158
David	Sheridan	1	0	5	0	1	1	29	30
David	Smith	0	0	0	3	17	20	248	268
Jordan	Stalker	5	0	25	2	5	7	46	53
Benjamin	Stewart	3	0	15	11	1	12	110	122
Dale	Sullivan	4	0	20	2	12	14	88	102
Coen	Taylor	2	0	10	8	10	18	0	18
Gareth	Thomas	0	0	0	0	1	1	82	83
Blake	Trevillion	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
Oskar	Watson	4	0	20	7	6	13	0	13
Jordan	Whitehead	0	0	0	5	6	11	450	461
Morgan	Whittall	0	0	0	0	4	4	1	5
						45	62		
						<i>Players</i>	<i>Players</i>		

2023 PLAYER REGISITRATIONS SUMMARY

65 Senior Player Registrations

12 Players paid for x 1 week only
 2 Players paid for x 2 weeks only
 2 Players paid for x 3 weeks only
 2 Players paid for x 4 weeks only
 1 then paid for x 1 Month only
 1 Player paid for x 5 weeks only
 1 Player paid for x 6 weeks only
 2 Player paid for x 7 weeks only
 1 Player paid for x 10 weeks only
 1 Player paid for x 19 weeks only
 3 Players paid for x 1 month only
 1 Player paid for x 2 months only
 1 Player paid for x 3 months only
 1 Player paid for 4 Months only
 35 Players paid for a full season



ILLAWARRA DISTRICT RUGBY UNION FIRST GRADE 2023 LADDER

			P	W	D	L	-/+	Pts
1		Shoalhaven 1st	16	16	0	0	669	79
2		Avondale 1st	15	12	0	3	318	61
3		Kiama 1st	16	11	0	5	59	59
4		Campbelltown 1st	16	9	0	7	-11	46
5		Tech Waratahs 1st	16	8	0	8	-109	35
6		Bowral 1st	15	5	1	9	-155	26
7		Shamrocks 1st	16	4	2	10	-196	25
8		Camden 1st	16	2	1	13	-263	22
9		University 1st	16	2	0	14	-312	10



ILLAWARRA DISTRICT RUGBY UNION SECOND GRADE 2023 LADDER

			P	W	D	L	-/+	Pts
1		Avondale 2nd	16	15	0	1	439	73
2		Shoalhaven 2nd	16	11	0	5	222	57
3		Shamrocks 2nd	16	10	1	5	103	50
4		Tech Waratahs 2nd	16	8	0	8	35	42
5		Bowral 2nd	16	8	1	7	-129	40
6		Kiama 2nd	16	6	1	9	-110	36
7		Vikings 2nd	16	5	0	11	-190	27
8		Camden 2nd	16	5	1	10	-100	26
9		University 2nd	16	1	2	13	-270	12



Treasurers Report 2023

2023 has been the first year since 2019 where we have been able to get in a full season without the interruptions caused in the previous years through Covid19 and inclement weather.

While it was great to get a full season in, it was not without its challenges with player numbers down on previous years and a new coaching team taking the reins this year. It is however pleasing to say that these challenges were met with enthusiasm and the club worked well together to ensure that Shamrocks were represented on the paddock in both grades for most of the year, with both sides being competitive all year. Well done to 2nd grade for reaching the Final, which was a great result, given the challenges around player numbers during the year. Well done to Damien, Ben and the coaching and management teams it was a great effort this year.

Financially we have recorded one of the best years in the Clubs history, which is really pleasing to report given the challenges of the previous years and the erosion of our retained earnings during those years.

As a result, this year the Club has achieved an Operating Surplus of \$31,176 which is truly a fantastic result. Our total retained earnings now stand at \$149,844 and while this is still down somewhat on our retained earnings prior to Covid of \$160,554 in 2019 it is still a very healthy financial position to be in.

Financial highlights for the year are simply Canteen, Canteen, Canteen and our loyal and longstanding Sponsors!! I cannot stress enough how important our Canteen performance is to the financial viability of our Club. Here is a snapshot of our Canteens results:

- 2021 total revenue was \$52,303.
- 2022 total revenue was \$60,670.
- 2023 total revenue was an incredible \$107,414.

So, congratulations to Michael, Denise, Kenny, Anne and all the "Shampaignes", who helped in the Canteen and to the BBQ team. What a fantastic result and well deserved as there was a lot of work put into this area all year, with the extra home games and an extra finals games thrown in. Every week you meet the challenge with enthusiasm and good spirit. We really are the premier service club in the Illawarra.

Other significant factors included the gate takings at our finals matches with takings of \$7328, and it was pleasing to see the players raffle commence again with great success.

From an expenses perspective our running costs such as electricity, ground maintenance, playing costs, water and phone etc. were all higher and we can expect continued challenges with these costs into the future.

Building maintenance costs will be high this coming year as repairs to the Clubhouse roof, repainting and other necessary maintenance tasks are to be undertaken.



A big thank you to our main sponsors for this year, Tom with Access Law Group, Garry with Bellambi Bowling Club, Andrew Webb Accounting & Financial and Cabbage Tree Hotel. Their continued support has been significant over the years, so please support these businesses when you can.

Thanks to the Thursday crew members again this year, for all the hard work and tall stories told on a Thursday morning. It would be nice to get a bit more support with my painting project though! As soon as the paint brushes come out everyone seems to head for the playing field, looking for some weeds to pull or grass to mow!

Thanks, Terry for all your support with the financials. It is much appreciated.

The attached financials cover off in more detail the various expense related items, and revenue streams associated with the Club's activities this year. I will review these in more detail at our AGM.

Looking forward to another enjoyable and successful year of Rugby in 2024.

Mark Dandridge

Honorary Treasurer

Woonona Shamrocks Rugby Club Inc

Notes To The Accounts

Accounting Policy

The attached Income and Expenditure Statement has been prepared on a cash basis. Income is recorded only when received and expenses are recorded only when paid. These accounting policies are consistent with that of previous years.

Outstanding Liabilities

At the time of preparing this report, all accounts received by me have been paid.

Assets

All payments for capital assets are expensed in the year in which the amounts are paid.

Honorary Treasurer
Mark Dandridge



21 November 2023

Mr Mark Dandridge
Woonona Shamrocks Rugby Club
PO Box 65
WOONONA NSW 2517

Dear Mark,

RE: 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WOONONA SHAMROCKS RUGBY CLUB ('the Club')

Please find enclosed a copy of the Club's 2023 Financial Statements and Compilation Report, prepared in accordance with the information provided by yourself and the assistant treasurer.

The 2023 season saw a return to a healthier financial result akin to 'pre-COVID' levels of activity, with the canteen remaining as the Club's primary source of revenue. The overall trading surplus for the year was \$31,176.

Overall, I believe that the club remains in a strong financial position, with a healthy balance of funds on hand.

If you, or any other committee member, should wish to discuss any aspect of this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Chartered Accountant

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Profit and Loss

Woonona Shamrocks Rugby Club Incorporated For the year ended 30 September 2023

	2023	2022	2021
Trading Income			
Seniors			
Advertising	1,500.00	2,000.00	1,781.82
Canteen Sales Seniors	107,414.40	60,670.72	52,303.09
Donations Seniors	1,678.45	642.00	610.00
Final Gate	7,328.19	1,310.00	-
Hall Hire	1,636.36	1,381.81	3,486.36
Interest Income	2,733.62	479.43	479.64
Member's Fees	2,999.92	2,590.84	1,132.38
Merchandise Sales Seniors	2,482.72	3,179.55	1,250.01
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,550.49
Player Fees	1,563.06	2,391.64	1,725.75
Player Raffles	2,628.65	-	665.90
Presentation Night	5,995.53	-	-
Raffle Other	391.00	147.91	-
Sponsorship Seniors	16,300.00	11,000.00	10,363.64
Total Seniors	154,651.90	85,793.90	75,349.08
Juniors	2,419.58	1,010.64	2,174.88
Grants Other	-	2,188.00	4,000.00
Insurance Claim Income	-	4,434.72	-
Total Trading Income	157,071.48	93,427.26	81,523.96
Gross Profit	157,071.48	93,427.26	81,523.96
Operating Expenses			
Seniors			
Advertising Expense	294.09	1,584.43	1,267.90
Bank Fees	25.20	37.20	17.60
Building Costs	-	321.78	-
Building Insurance	952.95	744.04	3,180.26
Building Maintenance	571.69	7,344.70	1,430.28
Bus Hire Seniors	2,709.10	1,172.73	854.55
Canteen Expenses Senior	1,733.37	1,594.92	1,577.34
Canteen Purchases Seniors	47,064.33	27,634.29	29,427.35
Donations	269.95	250.00	-
Electricity	5,367.54	3,460.29	3,769.62
Equipment Maintenance	-	572.26	-
Equipment Purchases	7,162.55	5,234.47	8,023.41
Ground Maintenance	4,441.59	3,180.49	2,950.35
Injured Players Contribution	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,625.00
Merchandise Seniors	1,894.00	7,144.38	3,843.75
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,056.04	152.73	-



	2023	2022	2021
Operating Costs	4,960.11	5,297.43	5,244.41
Playing Costs	22,775.86	8,186.73	11,211.47
Presentation Night Expenses	6,534.03	454.55	-
Ref Fees Seniors	1,118.18	-	1,295.45
Seniors Playing Strip	7,838.00	4,906.00	3,055.00
Telephone	1,387.26	614.45	-
Water	1,322.53	385.22	974.87
Total Seniors	120,478.37	81,273.09	79,748.61
Juniors	437.50	705.73	2,725.39
Superannuation	404.25	404.25	-
Consumables	-	-	76.10
Member Benefits	1,512.00	1,062.00	-
Canteen Accommodation Expense	-	125.00	-
Workers Compensation	163.31	-	-
Top Dress Field	359.09	242.54	642.27
Rugby Academy Program	-	-	386.36
Marketing Services	272.73	-	619.09
Hospitality	2,268.37	2,436.06	2,221.75
Training Services (Seniors)	-	1,250.00	4,800.00
Wages Expense	-	3,850.00	-
Total Operating Expenses	125,895.62	91,348.67	91,219.57
Net Profit	31,175.86	2,078.59	(9,695.61)



Balance Sheet

Woonona Shamrocks Rugby Club Incorporated

As at 30 September 2023

	30 SEP 2023	30 SEP 2022	30 SEP 2021
Assets			
Bank			
IMB Canteen Account	5,510.73	4,320.41	4,805.78
IMB Cheque Account	43,502.46	14,738.66	11,589.51
IMB Juniors Working Acct	3,418.00	10,675.06	11,659.68
IMB Reward Saver	101,172.07	92,840.19	91,636.94
Total Bank	153,603.26	122,574.32	119,691.91
Current Assets			
Float	(680.20)	(680.20)	(680.20)
Total Current Assets	(680.20)	(680.20)	(680.20)
Fixed Assets			
Bonds Paid	-	-	125.00
Total Fixed Assets	-	-	125.00
Total Assets	152,923.06	121,894.12	119,136.71
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
GST	2,675.22	2,472.11	2,547.54
Rounding	(0.03)	-	-
Superannuation Payable	404.25	404.25	-
Wages Payable - Payroll	-	350.00	-
Total Current Liabilities	3,079.44	3,226.36	2,547.54
Total Liabilities	3,079.44	3,226.36	2,547.54
Net Assets	149,843.62	118,667.76	116,589.17
Equity			
Current Year Earnings	31,175.86	2,078.59	(9,695.61)
Retained Earnings	118,667.76	116,589.17	126,284.78
Total Equity	149,843.62	118,667.76	116,589.17



Canteen Manager's Report 2023

The canteen remains the most important income generating tool for the club and 2023 saw canteen food and beverage sales top the \$100K mark for the first time and the large number of volunteer hours willingly supplied during the season by our dedicated team of supporters provided the platform for such a significant achievement.

The detailed data on the following page provides an insight into the work our volunteers provide. The graph illustrates how wildly the work demands can fluctuate between games, depending on the weather and the club visiting. A graph cannot capture the effort provided on those high demand days or the 'organised-chaos' of the BBQ and small canteen space. The Dog Show provided us with a good start to the season and in the second year without a third grade our data provides us with evidence of a solid return on our volunteer investment.

The BBQ Gurus and Canteen Servers continue to provide a level of commitment unsurpassed in other Rugby Clubs across the Illawarra. The BBQ continues to set the standard for efficiency and skill. Terry Nutt and Mark Dandridge set up the day with terrific support from a host of volunteers; Al Potter, Steve Saywell, Mick Walsh, Grahame McDonald, Peter McAndrew, Rowan Allnutt, Vic Thicknesse, Grahame Tressider, Paul Griffiths, Mick Traynor, Mark Ziebell, Joe Sproule, and others who offer a hand as needed on the day.

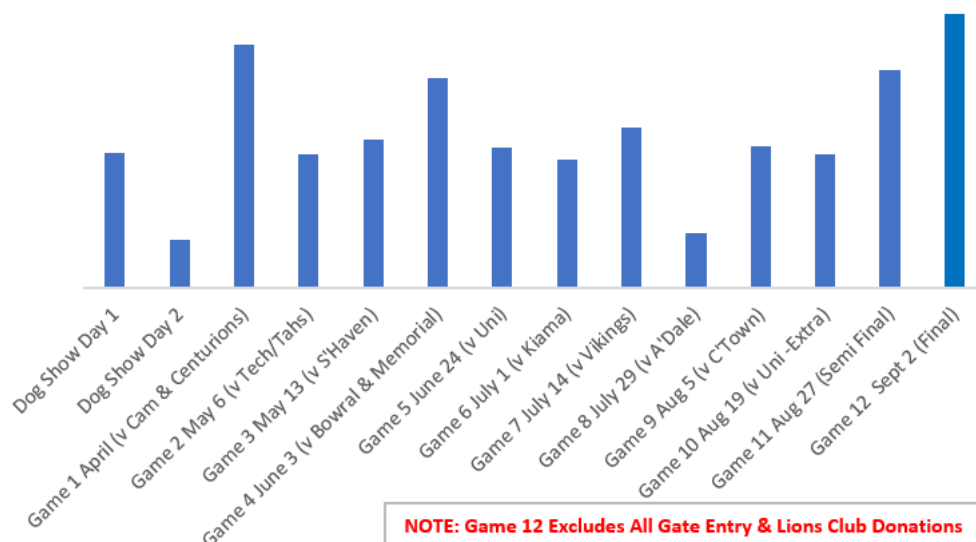
For the first time we can report the Friday evening takings contributed 20% to the year's food and beverage takings – a huge effort and Anne and Ken Phillis continue to provide the solid foundation of canteen effort. This is an amazing contribution and their work in starting each canteen day off with all the supplies needed and begin service early in the day is appreciated.

The service provided by the bunch of volunteers to meet our members' and visitors' needs is of such a high quality it is often commented on by customers. The volunteers' list includes; Cheryl Nutt, Pauline Tressider, Lorrell Dandridge, Janet Traynor, Dina Johnston, Diana McDonald, Tricia Thomas, Liz McAndrew, Denise Hyam, Diana and David Chambers, Barbara Dent, Margaret Griffiths, Christine Larkin, Aroha Cockburn. Col Sullivan and others willingly step in when needed. The hard work provided by Barry Kershaw was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all involved – such a pleasure to work with a committed and dedicated group of volunteers. We look forward to continuing in 2024.



CANTEEN TAKINGS COMPARISON HOME GAME DAY 2023



YEAR-TO-DATE CANTEEN SUMMARY		
(November 2022 - October 2023)		
Food & Beverages (F&B) Sales ONLY	\$115,214.73	
		% Of Total
F&B CASH SALES TOTAL	\$38,177.25	33.1%
F&B SQUARE SALES TOTAL	\$77,033.90	66.9%
COMBINED ALL SALES TOTAL	\$123,826.60	
Made Up Of:		
	% OF TOTAL SALES	
Combined F&B	93.0%	
Combined Merch	1.95%	
Combined Raffle	2.21%	
Combined Membership	1.09%	
Combined Square Charges	1.03%	
Canteen Card Count	634	
Friday F&B Sales To Date:	\$23,539.05	
Fridays as a % Of ALL F&B Sales To Date:	20.43%	
Total SQUARE Fees (Excluding GST) YTD 1.61% of Total Card Payments Processed		\$1,335.24

Michael Hyam
Canteen Manager



Grounds Person's Report 2023

This year we were fortunate in having relatively benign conditions that meant the ground retained a good playing surface which enabled all games to proceed as scheduled.

Early in the year a diagnosis of an infestation of African black beetles was detected. Fortunately, we were able to employ the services of Josh Woodcock to control this pest. This resulted in being able to establish a solid cover for the start of the season and the ability to withstand the winter. During the year we were extremely fortunate to receive rain at the right time, necessitating only minor use of the sprinkler to maintain a good coverage.

A big thanks of course must go to the Thursday crew, without whom we would not be able to maintain an acceptable standard of the ground. Many of the tasks undertaken by the crew would only be noticed if they were not done. Mowing, painting, cleaning, repairs, electrical work, gardening, weed control, marking the ground are tasks that do not necessarily elicit comments if they are done properly and regularly. That members of the Thursday crew are prepared to step up and do what needs to be done without fanfare or recognition means a high standard is maintained almost seamlessly. And of course, the camaraderie that this engenders means a Thursday morning, culminating in our morning tea, is an event to look forward to.

Just recently we were able to construct a trench which will provide drainage for the north eastern corner of the ground. This area was really the only area of concern as it had a tendency to become waterlogged in the more heavy downpours. It would be nice to assume that this will ensure a trouble free future but it would be wishful thinking that further movements due to being on top of an old tip are not going to occur. However in the future other areas of subsidence will undoubtedly occur.

Looking to the future, although it would be unlikely that we experience another season of such propitious weather, I can say with confidence that the Thursday crew will once again ensure the playing ground and the clubhouse are of exceptional standard, and do so in a most convivial manner.

Mark Ziebell
Grounds Manager



Social Co-Ordinators Report 2023

2023 certainly was a full year of rugby & events.

Centurions Day was a successful day of rugby & an after-match evening of proud moments & celebrations for all Shamrocks involved as usual. Food provided by & served by the volunteers was greatly appreciated by all.

Ladies Happy Hour /Mother's Day "Bubbles Bar" event was a huge success & made a profit, thanks again to the volunteers who made & donated majority of food & raffle prizes. It was well attended & the ladies enjoyed the opportunity to spend a short time socialising together.

June 3rd was Memorial Day for the passing of 4 past Shamrocks where a moving service was held at the rock. A huge crowd on the day attended. We also had Mexican theme for after match which most dressed up for the occasion. Juke Box again provided much entertainment. A delicious Mexican dish with rice made by Michael Hyam was served by our trusty volunteers & loved by everyone. Overall, it was a very successful day & night.

August 5th our last home game & was The Oldies match which is always a crowd pleaser & did not disappoint.

After match food consisted of 5 soups made by volunteers & greatly appreciated & enjoyed by all. The Juke Box again was a big hit with players. Our home-made variety of after match meals served by the amazing volunteers were eagerly devoured & much appreciated by all at each home game.

The important event was Shamrocks Presentation night which was well attended. It was a great night for those players & coaches who received their well-deserved awards and of course our incredible volunteer s for their contribution to the Shamrocks. Thank you to those involved in making it such a memorable night for everyone, well done Shamrocks.

These social events would not happen without the team of volunteers that continue to dedicate their time willingly to support the canteen & club.

Thank you to the after-match food service team of volunteers, Anne, Barbara, Cheryl, Janet, Dina, Diane, David, Margaret, Liz, Diana, Christine, Pauline, Barry and Aroha and others who helped when needed.

For me it has been another incredible year working with these dedicated volunteers to keep Shamrocks coming together and staying strong as a club.

2023 has been an incredibly successful year & that is due to the commitment & hard work of the committee, players, volunteers, and others support during the season.

Denise Hyam
Social Coordinator



Womens Rugby Report 2023

Ladies, Women, Girls Rugby

During the season we managed to start the women's program with a coach Richard Thomas and a manager Caroline Jolly. We had a total of five women at training but unfortunately not all at the same time. Due to the lack of numbers at other clubs the competition did not take place, but there was an intention to try and run a number of Gala days where the clubs would bring whoever they had to get some games, but unfortunately this could not be made to work due to logistical reasons.

It is to be hoped that there could be more traction in the coming year if we can start the recruiting and provide a meaningful avenue.

Bryan James

Co-ordinator





2023 Annual General Meeting Shamrock Players' Milestones

400 Grade Games

Jordan Whitehead	450
Raymund Wylie	434

300 Grade Games

Marc Joy	379	Andrew Cracknell	312
Mark Stone	332	Sean Filan	311
Adam Potter	331	Richard Aylett	304
Phillip Geary	315	Bryson Chinn	302
Dave Wylie	315	Grahame Tresidder	300
Josh Woodford	314		

200 Grade Games

John Dokter	287	Laurie Duffy	238
Brendon Schoupp	275	Kieran Smith	232
Jeff Horne	272	Kaine Turner	230
Brian Cooney	269	Anthony Hyndes	228
Peter Murphy	266	Chris Reid	228
Rod Mercer	263	Peter Pilcher	223
Scott McKellar	261	Phillip McQuiggin	218
Glenn Hutton	259	Barry Horrell	216
Rod Gilmour	257	Dale Owens	214
Daniel Lynch	250	Stephen Stone	211
David Smith	248	Ross Beattie	210
Scott Lunney	242	Ian Harriman	202
Kieren Love	241	Tony Crewe	201
Bruce Ferguson	240	Stuart Roodenrys	200



100 Grade Games

Mark Paterson	193	Steven Baulch	138	Peter Rowling	115
Xavier Mcdevitt	193	David Aylett	136	Jayson Joerdans	114
Ron Davis	192	Chris Bradshaw	134	Philip Harvey	114
George Osadczuk	185	Frank Peterson	134	Dave Mayor	114
Kurt Davis	182	Matthew Roodenrys	133	Travis Tressider	114
Adam Large	182	Richard Darlow	133	Shane Geloven	113
Tristram Storm	178	Anthony Nutt	132	Stuart Stoneham	113
Christopher Doyle	175	Mark Cutafuni	129	Garry Weston	112
Jason Bottin	173	Mark Biondich	128	Kevin Crick	111
William Blanch	172	Ray McCauley	128	Jake Psaras	111
Chris Filan	172	Michael Gill	127	James Tolhurst	110
Anthony Davis	170	Andrew Harper	127	Peter Corbett	109
Brian Hutton	169	Dean Hopkinson	127	Christopher Smith	109
Vaughan Judd	165	Todd Sarten	127	Aaron Warren	109
Jamie Pigram	163	Mark Dandridge	126	Peter Craig	108
Robbie Coso	163	Mark Tarasenko	126	Joshua Ah-Tong	107
Jeremy Barnett	161	Gerard Magee	125	William George	107
Chris Whittacker	161	Tony Archer	124	Robert Morris	107
Rick Lindsley	160	Peter Campbell	124	Chris Cleghorn	106
Damien Clark	158	Harry Kersten	124	Steve Denning	106
Ian Westwood	158	Robbie Meijer	124	Rowan Melrose	106
Kalem Smith	158	Simon Pritchard	123	Dave Ronald	106
Ryan Schoupp	158	Harry Devine	122	Michael Arnold	105
Terry Nutt	156	Rick Nicholls	122	Mick "Capt'n" Smith	105
Timothy Filan	154	Benjamin Stewart	122	Frank Kersten	104
Paul McCormack	153	Shayne Luck	121	Barry Lowe	104
Sam Clissold	152	Mark McConnell	121	Jeff Pickthall	104
Barry Aylett	150	Rhys Peters	121	Brodie Scott	104
Phillip Hutton	150	Jeffrey Charlesworth	120	Luke Tnegato	103
Adam Rostirolla	150	Andrew Johnston	120	James Button	102
Garry Pymont	149	Maciu Gauna	120	Mitch Hammersley	102
Nathan Saywell	148	Jason Grindley	119	John McNally	102
Anthony Allport	144	Lachlan King	119	Victor Thickness	102
Ian Jones	143	Lachlan MacKinnon	119	Dale Sullivan	102
Brian Nutt	143	Ben Lowe	118	Paul Mounter	101
Andrew Webb	143	Mick Smith	116	Ryan Griffiths	100
Peter McAndrew	141	Scott Tarasenko	116	Greg Ryan	100
Mark Ziebell	139	Heath Mercer	116	John Sargeson	100



2023 IDRU Second Grade Top Try Scorers



Jubilee Soloa - 13



Keifer Power - 8



Ben Ridgway - 12



Angus Templeton - 8



Angus Ellem - 9



Corey Lee - 6



Braydon Walsh - 8



Ben Grief - 6



James Du Preez - 8



Isaac Davis - 6

Illawarra Rugby Union Preliminary Finals Second Grade



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2023 IDRU Presentation Night

Dexter Porter Cup

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
			

 **2023 IDRU SECOND GRADE GRAND FINAL**
SATURDAY 9TH OF SEPTEMBER

 **2023 IDRU FIRST GRADE GRAND FINAL**
SATURDAY 9TH OF SEPTEMBER



PRESIDENTS AWARD



TERRY NUTT

SUPPORTER OF THE YEAR



KEN PHILLIS

JOHN HIGGINS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



MICHAEL HYAM

LIFE MEMBER



MARK STONE

CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR



BEN RIDGWAY

LIFE MEMBER



VAUGHAN JUDD



MOST TRIES



BEN RIDGWAY

MOST PROMISING PLAYER



FINN KEIFER

MOST CONSISTENT PLAYER



WILL RIDGWAY

COACHES AWARD



SAM HODSON

MOST POINTS

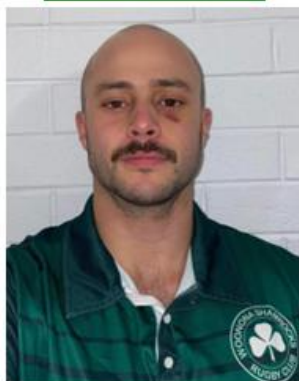


BEN RIDGWAY





1ST GRADE BEST AND FAIREST



ALEX CROTTI



1ST GRADE BEST FORWARD



HEATH ROBINSON

1ST GRADE BEST BACK



LIAM ROWNTREE

2ND GRADE BEST AND FAIREST



KEIFER POWER

2ND GRADE BEST FORWARD



LUCAS LEONARD

2ND GRADE BEST BACK



DALE SULLIVAN